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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE INTERIM COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES, AND, IN
102 CONNECTION THEREWITH, SUSPENDING LEGISLATIVE INTERIM
103 ACTIVITIES DURING THE 2020 INTERIM AND CHANGING THE
104 MINIMUM NUMBER OF MEETINGS THAT THE EARLY CHILDHOOD
105 AND SCHOOL READINESS LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION MUST HOLD
106 TO BE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF MEETINGS ANNUALLY THAT
107 THE COMMISSION MAY HOLD.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)

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Executive Committee of the Legislative Council. The bill suspends legislative interim committee activities during the 2020 interim. Specifically, the bill:

- ! Prohibits the legislative council of the general assembly from prioritizing any requests for legislative interim committees, including task forces, for the 2020 interim; and
- ! Prohibits meetings, field trips, and legislative recommendations and reports by, and suspends for one year certain reports required to be submitted to, existing legislative interim committees, including the Colorado youth advisory council review committee; wildfire matters review committee; statewide health care review committee; Colorado health insurance exchange oversight committee; pension review commission and pension review subcommittee; early childhood and school readiness legislative commission; water resources review committee; and transportation legislation review committee.

Additionally, the bill removes the requirement that the early childhood and school readiness legislative commission meet at least 4 times each year and instead limits the commission to up to 4 meetings per year.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-303.3, **add** (3)(d)
3 as follows:

4 **2-3-303.3. Interim committees - repeal.**

5 (3) (d) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, THE
6 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SHALL NOT PRIORITIZE ANY INTERIM COMMITTEES
7 OR APPROVE ANY TASK FORCES FOR THE 2020 INTERIM. NOTHING IN THIS
8 SUBSECTION (3)(d) PROHIBITS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
9 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, WHETHER BEFORE OR AFTER THE GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY HAS ADJOURNED, FROM APPROVING AN INTERIM COMMITTEE BY
11 RESOLUTION FOR THE 2020 INTERIM IN THE MANNER SPECIFIED IN
12 SUBSECTION (3)(c) OF THIS SECTION.

13 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (3)(d) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

1 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-2-1304, **amend**
2 (6)(b) as follows:

3 **2-2-1304. Duties - meetings - community outreach -**
4 **designation of organization to accept donations - authority to**
5 **contract - repeal.** (6) (b) On or before ~~April 30, 2020~~ APRIL 30, 2021,
6 and on or before April 30 of each year thereafter, the council shall select
7 five members to serve as nonvoting members of the review committee
8 during the subsequent legislative interim.

9 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-2-1305.5, **amend**
10 (3)(b), (5), and (6) as follows:

11 **2-2-1305.5. Colorado youth advisory council review committee**
12 **- created - repeal.** (3) (b) On or before ~~April 30, 2020~~ APRIL 30, 2021,
13 and on or before April 30 of each year thereafter, the chair of the
14 legislative council shall appoint the member serving pursuant to
15 subsection (2)(a)(II) of this section to serve during the subsequent
16 legislative interim.

17 (5) (a) The review committee may meet up to three times during
18 each interim but may not travel unless authorized by the executive
19 committee of the legislative council. A majority of voting members
20 constitutes a quorum.

21 (b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (5)(a) OF THIS SECTION,
22 THE REVIEW COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET OR TRAVEL DURING THE 2020
23 INTERIM.

24 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (5)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

25 (6) (a) The review committee may recommend up to a total of
26 three bills during each interim. Legislation recommended by the review
27 committee must be treated as legislation recommended by an interim

1 committee for purposes of applicable deadlines, bill introduction limits,
2 and any other requirements imposed by the joint rules of the general
3 assembly.

4 (b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (6)(a) OF THIS SECTION,
5 THE REVIEW COMMITTEE MAY NOT RECOMMEND LEGISLATION DURING THE
6 2020 INTERIM.

7 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (6)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

8 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1602, **amend** (1)
9 and (4.5) as follows:

10 **2-3-1602. Wildfire matters review committee - creation -**
11 **repeal - repeal of part.** (1) (a) To address wildfire prevention and
12 mitigation and to review and propose legislation relating to such matters,
13 the wildfire matters review committee is hereby created, and is referred
14 to in this part 16 as the "committee". The committee shall meet at the call
15 of the chair at least once during the interim of each year to review and to
16 propose legislation or other policy changes relating to wildfire prevention
17 and mitigation and all related matters, including, without limitation,
18 public safety, forest health, and cooperation with appropriate federal
19 agencies and local governments. The committee may take up to two field
20 trips during the interim and consult with experts in all fields relating to
21 wildfire prevention and mitigation as may be necessary to achieve the
22 objectives of this part 16. All personnel of any state agency or political
23 subdivision of Colorado involved in wildfire prevention and mitigation,
24 including the Colorado department of public safety and the Colorado state
25 forest service, shall cooperate with the committee and with any persons
26 assisting the committee in carrying out its duties pursuant to this section.

27 (b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION,

1 THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET OR TAKE FIELD TRIPS DURING THE 2020
2 INTERIM.

3 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (1)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

4 (4.5) (a) The committee may recommend up to a total of five bills
5 during each interim. Legislation recommended by the committee must be
6 treated as legislation recommended by an interim committee for purposes
7 of applicable deadlines, bill introduction limits, and any other
8 requirements imposed by the joint rules of the general assembly.

9 (b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (4.5)(a) OF THIS SECTION,
10 THE COMMITTEE MAY NOT RECOMMEND LEGISLATION DURING THE 2020
11 INTERIM.

12 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (4.5)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
13 2021.

14 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-1233,
15 **amend** (6)(b) as follows:

16 **24-33.5-1233. Colorado fire commission - creation - powers**
17 **and duties - report - legislative declaration - repeal. (6) Reports.**

18 (b) On or before ~~August 31, 2020~~ AUGUST 31, 2021, and on or before
19 August 31 each year thereafter, the commission shall report to the
20 wildfire matters review committee on its activities and recommendations.

21 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-16-221, **amend**
22 (3) as follows:

23 **10-16-221. Statewide health care review committee - creation**
24 **- membership - duties - repeal. (3) (a)** The committee shall meet no

25 more than two times each legislative interim, unless additional meetings
26 are authorized by the executive committee of the legislative council. Of
27 the meetings authorized under this subsection (3), the committee may take

1 up to two field trips per year in connection with its duties mandated under
2 this section.

3 (b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION,
4 THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET OR TAKE FIELD TRIPS DURING THE 2020
5 INTERIM.

6 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (3)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

7 **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-22-107, **amend**
8 (1) and (5) as follows:

9 **10-22-107. Colorado health insurance exchange oversight**
10 **committee - creation - duties - repeal.** (1) (a) For the purposes of
11 guiding implementation of an exchange in Colorado, making
12 recommendations to the general assembly, and ensuring that the interests
13 of Coloradans are protected and furthered, there is hereby created the
14 Colorado health insurance exchange oversight committee. The committee
15 shall meet ~~on or before August 1, 2011, and thereafter~~ at the call of the
16 chair at least two times during each calendar year, but no more than seven
17 times during each calendar year when the general assembly is not in
18 session. The committee may meet an unlimited number of times at the call
19 of the chair when the general assembly is in session. The committee may
20 use the legislative council staff to assist its members in researching any
21 matters.

22 (b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION,
23 THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2020 INTERIM.

24 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (1)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

25 (5) (a) In any year, the committee may report up to eight bills or
26 other measures to the legislative council created in section 2-3-301.
27 ~~C.R.S.~~ These bills are exempt from any applicable bill limit imposed on

1 the individual committee members sponsoring such bills if the bills have
2 been approved by the legislative council under joint rules of the senate
3 and house of representatives.

4 (b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (5)(a) OF THIS SECTION,
5 THE COMMITTEE SHALL NEITHER REPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
6 NOR RECOMMEND LEGISLATION DURING THE 2020 INTERIM.

7 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (5)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

8 **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-51.1-101, **add** (6)
9 as follows:

10 **24-51.1-101. Pension review commission - repeal.**

11 (6) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, NEITHER THE
12 COMMISSION NOR THE SUBCOMMITTEE SHALL MEET DURING THE 2020
13 INTERIM, AND LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ARE NOT
14 REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS AND HEARINGS SPECIFIED IN
15 SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION DURING THE 2020 INTERIM. HOWEVER,
16 IF A LEGISLATIVE MEMBER OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ATTENDS A MEETING OR
17 HEARING SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION DURING THE 2020
18 INTERIM, THE LEGISLATIVE MEMBER IS NOT ENTITLED TO PER DIEM. THE
19 SUBCOMMITTEE IS NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE REVIEW AND
20 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION
21 DURING THE 2020 INTERIM.

22 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (6) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

23 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-6.5-203, **amend**
24 (2)(a) and (2)(c) as follows:

25 **26-6.5-203. Early childhood and school readiness legislative**
26 **commission - creation - membership - duties - funding - repeal.**

27 (2) (a) (I) The commission may meet ~~at least~~ UP TO four times annually.

1 The director of research of the legislative council and the director of the
2 office of legislative legal services shall provide staff assistance to the
3 ~~interim committee~~ COMMISSION. The commission shall study issues
4 concerning early childhood and school readiness, including but not
5 limited to health care, mental health, parental involvement, family
6 support, child care, and early learning. The commission shall solicit input
7 from members of the public, especially those individuals with expertise
8 related to early childhood and school readiness issues, to aid the
9 commission in its work. The commission shall consult with the early
10 childhood leadership commission, created in section 26-6.2-103, with
11 regard to policies concerning early childhood and school readiness.

12 (II) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (2)(a)(I) OF THIS
13 SECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2020 INTERIM.

14 (B) THIS SUBSECTION (2)(a)(II) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
15 2021.

16 (c) (I) The commission shall report to the legislative council by
17 the date specified in joint rule 24 (b)(1)(D). The report may include
18 recommendations for legislation, including but not limited to legislation
19 continuing the commission and an explanation of the additional time and
20 procedures that the commission may require to achieve the commission's
21 study goals. Legislation that the commission recommends shall be treated
22 as legislation recommended by an interim committee for the purposes of
23 the introduction deadlines and bill limitations imposed by the joint rules
24 of the senate and house of representatives.

25 (II) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (2)(c)(I) OF THIS
26 SECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL NEITHER REPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE
27 COUNCIL NOR RECOMMEND LEGISLATION DURING THE 2020 INTERIM.

1 (B) THIS SUBSECTION (2)(c)(II) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
2 2021.

3 **SECTION 10.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 37-98-102, **amend**
4 (1)(a) as follows:

5 **37-98-102. Water resources review committee - creation -**
6 **repeal.** (1) (a) (I) For the purposes of contributing to and monitoring the
7 conservation, use, development, and financing of the water resources of
8 Colorado for the general welfare of its inhabitants and to review and
9 propose water resources legislation, there is hereby created the water
10 resources review committee, referred to in this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 98 as the
11 "committee". The committee shall meet at the call of the chair as often as
12 six times during even-numbered years and eight times during
13 odd-numbered years to review and to propose water resources legislation
14 and matters relating thereto. No more than two of such meetings may
15 occur ~~during periods other than the interim period, except that the~~
16 ~~committee shall not meet during the 2010 interim period~~ WHILE THE
17 GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS IN SESSION. In connection with such review, ~~except~~
18 ~~during the 2010 interim period,~~ the committee may take up to two field
19 trips per year in connection with its mandate and shall consult with
20 experts in the field of water conservation, quality, use, finance, and
21 development. The department of natural resources, the state engineer, and
22 the attorney general, together with the members and staff of the Colorado
23 water conservation board, the Colorado water resources and power
24 development authority, the ~~Colorado~~ water quality control commission,
25 the department of public health and environment, the department of
26 agriculture, and the great outdoors Colorado program, shall cooperate
27 with the committee and with any persons assisting the committee in

1 pursuing its responsibilities pursuant to this section. Further, the
2 committee may utilize the legislative council staff to assist its members
3 in researching any matters.

4 (II) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OF THIS
5 SECTION, THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET OR TAKE FIELD TRIPS DURING
6 THE 2020 INTERIM.

7 (B) THIS SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
8 2021.

9 **SECTION 11.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 37-98-103, **amend**
10 (1) as follows:

11 **37-98-103. Annual recommendations - bill limitation -**
12 **deadlines for introduction - repeal.** (1) (a) The committee may report
13 no more than three bills or other measures to the legislative council
14 created in section 2-3-301 ~~C.R.S.~~, unless a two-thirds majority of the
15 members of the committee vote to report a greater number. ~~except that the~~
16 ~~committee shall not report any bills to the legislative council in 2010.~~ No
17 bill shall be reported to the legislative council unless a two-thirds majority
18 of the appointed members of the committee vote to report such bill to the
19 legislative council. Such greater number shall not exceed one bill or other
20 measure per member. These bills shall be exempt from any applicable bill
21 limit imposed on the individual committee members sponsoring such bills
22 if the bills have been approved by the legislative council no later than
23 October 15 in even-numbered years and November 15 in odd-numbered
24 years.

25 (b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION,
26 THE COMMITTEE MAY NOT RECOMMEND LEGISLATION DURING THE 2020
27 INTERIM.

1 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (1)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

2 SECTION 12. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 37-60-115, amend
3 (10)(f) and (10)(g) as follows:

4 37-60-115. Water studies - rules - repeal. (10) High
5 groundwater administration and management pilot projects - report
6 - repeal. (f) The board, in consultation with the state engineer, shall
7 annually report to the water resources review committee, created in
8 section 37-98-102, or its successor committee, on the reported results of
9 the pilot projects. The board, in consultation with the state engineer, shall
10 provide a final report to the water resources review committee or its
11 successor committee by ~~September 1, 2020~~ SEPTEMBER 1, 2021.

12 (g) This subsection (10) is repealed, effective ~~July 1, 2021~~ JULY
13 1, 2022.

14 SECTION 13. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 43-2-145, amend
15 (1)(b) as follows:

16 43-2-145. Transportation legislation review - committee -
17 definition - repeal. (1) (b) (I) The committee shall meet at least once
18 each year to review transportation, traffic, and motor vehicle legislation
19 and may consult with experts in the fields of traffic regulation, the
20 licensing of drivers, the registration and titling of motor vehicles, and
21 highway construction and planning and may consult with the personnel
22 of the department of transportation or the department of revenue as may
23 be necessary. ~~except that the committee shall not meet during the 2010~~
24 ~~interim.~~ All personnel of the department of transportation, THE
25 department of revenue, or any state agency or political subdivision of
26 Colorado that regulates motor vehicles or traffic shall cooperate with the
27 committee and with any persons assisting the committee in carrying out

1 its duties pursuant to this section. The committee may review any phase
2 of department of transportation operations, including planning and
3 construction of highway projects, prior to and during the completion of
4 such projects.

5 (II) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1)(b)(I) OF THIS
6 SECTION, THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET OR TAKE ANY FIELD TRIPS OR
7 TOURS OF THE STATE DURING THE 2020 INTERIM.

8 (B) THIS SUBSECTION (1)(b)(II) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
9 2021.

10 **SECTION 14. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
11 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
12 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.