

**First Regular Session  
Seventy-third General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**PREAMENDED**

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**SENATE BILL 21-230**

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**Hansen and Winter,** Bridges, Fenberg, Garcia, Pettersen

**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**Valdez A. and Bennett,**

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**Senate Committees**

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**House Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING A TRANSFER OF MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO**  
102                    **THE ENERGY FUND TO FINANCE PROGRAMS OF THE COLORADO**  
103                    **ENERGY OFFICE.**

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**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>.)*

The bill directs the state treasurer to make an immediate, one-time transfer of \$40 million from the general fund to the energy fund administered by the Colorado energy office (CEO). The CEO may use the money for its ongoing programs plus the following enumerated purposes:

- Making grants to the Colorado Clean Energy Fund and the

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

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May 5, 2021

SENATE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
May 4, 2021

Colorado new energy improvement district totaling up to \$30 million and \$3 million, respectively;

- Increasing the amounts available through residential energy upgrade loans by up to \$2 million; and
- Providing up to \$5 million in additional funding to the charge ahead Colorado program administered by the CEO.

The bill requires the CEO to periodically report on its expenditures to the office of state planning and budgeting and the general assembly.

The bill appropriates \$40 million from the energy fund to the CEO to be used for the specified purposes.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-38.5-102.4, **add**  
3 (3) as follows:

4 **24-38.5-102.4. Energy fund - creation - use of fund -**  
5 **definitions - report - repeal.** (3) (a) WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER THE  
6 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION (3)(a), THE STATE TREASURER SHALL  
7 TRANSFER FORTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE  
8 ENERGY FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION. THE  
9 COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE SHALL USE THE MONEY TRANSFERRED UNDER  
10 THIS SUBSECTION (3)(a) IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH SUBSECTIONS  
11 (2)(b) AND (2)(c) OF THIS SECTION AND FOR THE PURPOSES OF:

12 (I) MAKING GRANTS TO THE COLORADO CLEAN ENERGY FUND, A  
13 COLORADO NONPROFIT CORPORATION, NOT TO EXCEED A TOTAL OF THIRTY  
14 MILLION DOLLARS;

15 (II) MAKING GRANTS TO THE COLORADO NEW ENERGY  
16 IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT CREATED IN SECTION 32-20-104, NOT TO EXCEED  
17 A TOTAL OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS;

18 (III) INCREASING THE AMOUNT USED, EXPENDED, OR OBLIGATED  
19 ON THE RESIDENTIAL ENERGY UPGRADE LOAN PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY  
20 THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE AND THE COLORADO CLEAN ENERGY

1 FUND BY UP TO TWO MILLION DOLLARS; AND

2 (IV) INCREASING THE AMOUNT USED, EXPENDED, OR OBLIGATED  
3 ON THE CHARGE AHEAD COLORADO PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE  
4 COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE BY UP TO FIVE MILLION DOLLARS.

5 (b) (I) THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE SHALL USE, EXPEND, OR  
6 OBLIGATE AT LEAST SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE MONEY FOR THE USES  
7 SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2022,  
8 AND AT LEAST EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE MONEY PRIOR TO JULY 1,  
9 2023.

10 (II) ON JUNE 30, 2025, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER TO  
11 THE GENERAL FUND ANY MONEY IN THE ENERGY FUND CREATED IN  
12 SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION THAT WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE  
13 ENERGY FUND UNDER SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION AND THAT  
14 REMAINS UNUSED, UNEXPENDED, AND UNOBLIGATED AS OF THAT DATE.

15 (c) (I) ON JANUARY 15, 2022, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER UNTIL  
16 ALL STATE MONEY HAS BEEN USED BY GRANT RECIPIENTS PURSUANT TO  
17 THIS SUBSECTION (3), THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE SHALL PROVIDE A  
18 REPORT WITH FULL ACCOUNTING OF THE USE OF ALL GRANT MONEY  
19 AWARDED. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE AMOUNTS AND DATES FOR HOW  
20 GRANT MONEY HAS BEEN USED BY EACH OF THE ENTITIES, INCLUDING  
21 THE NAMES OF ALL CONTRACTORS, VENDORS, GRANTEEES, OR RECIPIENTS  
22 OF STATE MONEY, HOW THE MONEY WAS TO BE USED, AND ALL OVERHEAD  
23 AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH USING THE MONEY. THE  
24 COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE SHALL DISTRIBUTE COPIES OF THE REPORTS AS  
25 FOLLOWS:

26 (A) TO THE OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING AND BUDGETING, THE  
27 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE,

1 AND THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY COMMITTEE OR THE  
2 SUCCESSORS TO THOSE ENTITIES; AND

3 (B) TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION  
4 24-1-136 (9).

5 (II) IN ADDITION TO MAKING THE REPORTS SPECIFIED IN  
6 SUBSECTION (3)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION, THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE  
7 SHALL INCORPORATE THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THOSE REPORTS  
8 INTO ITS ANNUAL PRESENTATIONS UNDER SECTION 2-7-203.

9 (d) THIS SUBSECTION (3) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025.

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12 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
13 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.