NOTE: This bill has been prepared for the signatures of the appropriate legislative officers and the Governor. To determine whether the Governor has signed the bill or taken other action on it, please consult the legislative status sheet, the legislative history, or the Session Laws.

SENATE BILL 23-230

BY SENATOR(S) Bridges and Kirkmeyer, Zenzinger, Baisley, Kolker, Smallwood, Van Winkle;

also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Sirota and Bockenfeld, Bird, Amabile, Bacon, Frizell, Froelich, Hamrick, Jodeh, Joseph, Lieder, Lindsay, Lynch, Marshall, Michaelson Jenet, Snyder, Weissman, McCluskie.

CONCERNING STATE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTIES AFFECTED BY THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 13-3-118 as follows:

**13-3-118.** State court administrator - twenty-third judicial district county assistance - definition - repeal. (1) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, "eligible expenses" MEANS COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT, INCLUDING:

(a) For the 2023-24 state fiscal year, consulting fees and

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TRANSITION CONTRACTOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT FEES; AND

(b) FOR THE 2024-25 STATE FISCAL YEAR:

(I) Costs related to annual and sick leave payouts for staff to transition from the eighteenth to the twenty-third judicial district; and

(II) TRANSITION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE, EQUIPMENT, AND SOFTWARE; DATA PRESERVATION, SEPARATION, AND MIGRATION; AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY STAFF TRANSITION.

(2) FROM MONEY APPROPRIATED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE SHALL REIMBURSE COUNTIES OF THE CURRENT EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR ELIGIBLE EXPENSES RELATED TO THE CREATION OF THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

(3) This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2026.

**SECTION 2.** Appropriation. For the 2023-24 state fiscal year, \$668,600 is appropriated to the judicial department. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation for the 23rd judicial district attorney's office transition and implementation.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,

determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

Steve Fenberg PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE Julie McCluskie SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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APPROVED

(Date and Time)

Jared S. Polis GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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