

**Third Extraordinary Session
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STATE OF COLORADO**

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LLS NO. 02S-2042.01 Ed DeCecco

SENATE BILL 02S-009

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

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HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

(None)

Senate Committees
Business, Labor, and Finance
Appropriations

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE MITIGATION BY THE COLORADO TOURISM OFFICE**
102 **OF THE NEGATIVE EFFECT ON TOURISM CAUSED BY THE**
103 **CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL EMERGENCY, AND MAKING AN**
104 **APPROPRIATION THEREFOR.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)

Transfers a specified amount of moneys from the capital construction fund to the general fund. Appropriates a specified amount to the Colorado travel and tourism promotion fund to be used by the Colorado tourism office for the purpose of promoting the state to mitigate the negative effect on travel and tourism caused by the wildfires and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.

Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.

Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

drought.

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

2 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** The general assembly
3 hereby finds and declares that the travel and tourism industries are
4 essential to the economic well-being of the state and its citizens, and that
5 such industries have suffered from the adverse effects of the wildfires that
6 have burned significant portions of the state's physical area. The general
7 assembly further finds and declares that this environmental emergency
8 has affected national and international perceptions as to the impact of
9 such emergency on our quality of life, which has served to depress
10 interest in visitors traveling to Colorado. In order to mitigate the negative
11 effect on travel and tourism caused by this environmental emergency, a
12 one-time emergency appropriation shall be made to the Colorado travel
13 and tourism promotion fund. Such moneys shall be used by the Colorado
14 tourism office for the purpose of promoting the state to offset any
15 negative impact on travel and tourism caused by the wildfires.

16 **SECTION 2.** 24-75-302, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
17 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

18 **24-75-302. Capital construction fund - capital assessment fees**
19 **- calculation.** (9) ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION (9),
20 PURSUANT TO SENATE BILL 02S-____, ENACTED AT THE THIRD
21 EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE SIXTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE
22 STATE TREASURER AND THE CONTROLLER SHALL TRANSFER THREE MILLION
23 FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION
24 FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND CREATED IN SECTION 24-75-201 (1).

25 **SECTION 3. Appropriation.** In addition to any other

1 appropriation, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002, there is hereby
2 appropriated, out of any moneys in the general fund not otherwise
3 appropriated, to the Colorado travel and tourism promotion fund created
4 in section 24-49.7-106, Colorado Revised Statutes, the sum of three
5 million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000), and such sum, or so
6 much thereof as may be necessary, is further appropriated to the Colorado
7 tourism office for the purpose of promoting the state to mitigate the
8 negative effects on travel and tourism caused by the wildfires.

9 **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
10 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
11 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.