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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 09-044

101 CONCERNING AN INTERIM COMMISSION TO STUDY _____ FISCAL
102 STABILITY.

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WHEREAS, The budget challenges faced by the state this fiscal year necessitate the formation of a commission to study the fiscal stability of the state, including but not limited to solutions for the economy, higher education funding, state transportation funding, and affordable access to health care; and

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WHEREAS, A collaborative effort involving all sectors of the economic community is necessary to develop a bipartisan solution for the state's fiscal stability; and

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WHEREAS, The commission's charge should be broad in order to grant flexibility to consider all solutions necessary to create fiscal stability; now, therefore,

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Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly

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.

HOUSE
Amended FinalRdg
May 5, 2009

SENATE
FinalReading
May 1, 2009

1 of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:

2 (1) That there is hereby created the fiscal stability commission,
3 hereinafter referred to as the "commission", which shall meet during the
4 interim after the 2009 Regular Session of the Sixty-seventh General
5 Assembly to study matters relating to fiscal stability.

6 (2) That the commission shall consist of sixteen members as
7 follows:

8 (a) (I) Six legislative members as follows:

9 (A) Three members of the Senate, two appointed by the President
10 of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate;
11 and

12 (B) Three members of the House, two appointed by the Speaker
13 of the House of Representatives and one appointed by the Minority
14 Leader of the House of Representatives.

15 (II) The President of the Senate shall select a chair of the
16 commission, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall select
17 a vice-chair of the commission.

18 (III) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
19 Representatives shall make the appointments and selections specified in
20 this paragraph (a) no later than 30 days after the certification of funds
21 pursuant to subsection (7) of this resolution has been made to the Speaker
22 of the House of Representative and the President of the Senate.

23 (b) (I) Ten additional members, appointed as follows:

24 (A) Three by the President of the Senate;

25 (B) Two by the Minority Leader of the Senate;

26 (C) Three by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

27 (D) Two by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

28 (II) The appointments specified in subparagraph (I) of this
29 paragraph (b) shall be made no later than 30 days after the certification
30 of funds pursuant to subsection (7) of this resolution has been made to the
31 Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate.

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33 (3) That the commission shall:

34 (a) Study the fiscal stability of the state, including but not limited
35 to solutions for higher education and transportation funding, affordable
36 access to health care, kindergarten through twelfth grade education,
37 state-owned assets, and the creation and adequate funding of a state rainy
38 day fund;

39 (b) Develop a strategic plan for state fiscal stability that may be

1 amended on a yearly basis to reflect then-existing economic realities; and

2 (c) Consider other issues as needed.

3 (4) That the meetings of the commission shall be public meetings.

4 (5) That the commission may request information from other
5 sources, including but not limited to the National Conference of State
6 Legislatures, representatives from state and local government, private
7 businesses, nonprofit organizations, and appropriate trade groups to
8 provide testimony, written comments, and other relevant data to the
9 commission.

10 (6) That the commission shall submit written findings and any
11 recommended legislation to the Legislative Council no later than
12 November 6, 2009. The commission shall be limited to proposing five
13 bills. If a legislative member of the commission chooses to carry a bill
14 recommended by the commission in the following legislative session,
15 such commission bills shall not count against the individual legislator's
16 bill limits set forth in the Joint Rules of the Senate and the House of
17 Representatives. Legislation recommended by the commission shall be
18 subject to the interim committee deadlines pursuant to the Joint Rules of
19 the Senate and the House of Representatives.

20 (7) Staff of the legislative council and of the office of legislative
21 legal services shall be available to assist the commission in conducting
22 the duties if the commission is approved by the executive committee of
23 the legislative council.

24 (8) Legislative members of the commission shall be entitled to
25 receive expenses and payment of per diem if approved by the executive
26 committee of the legislative council.

27 (9) Upon request of a member of the commission, staff shall
28 prepare and attach summaries of dissenting opinions to the final strategic
29 plan adopted by the commission. Such summaries of dissenting opinions
30 shall be incorporated in any final findings or recommendations of the
31 commission presented to the Legislative Council.