## HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

|     | Chairman of Committee Date   |
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|     | Committee on <u>Judiciary</u> .  |
|     | After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:                         |
|     | HB10-1269 be amended as follows:   |
| 1   | Amend printed bill, page 8, after line 26 insert:  |
| 2 3 | "SECTION 2. 24-34-402.7 (3) (a), (3) (b), and (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read: |
| 4   | 24-34-402.7. Unlawful action against employees seeking   |
| 5   | protection. (3) (a) It shall be unlawful A DISCRIMINATORY OR UNFAIR                                |
| 6   | EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE for any employer to interfere with, restrain, or                               |
| 7   | deny the exercise of or any attempt to exercise any rights provided under                          |
| 8   | this section.  |
| 9   | (b) It shall be <del>unlawful</del> A DISCRIMINATORY OR UNFAIR                                     |
| 10  | EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE for any employer to discharge or in any other                                  |
| 11  | manner discriminate against any individual for exercising his or her rights                        |
| 12  | under this section.  |
| 13  | (4) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this article to the                                    |
| 14  | contrary, the sole remedy for any person claiming to be aggrieved by a                             |
| 15  | violation of this section shall be to bring a civil suit for damages or                            |
| 16  | equitable relief or both in any district court of competent jurisdiction.                          |
| 17  | Such person may claim as damages all wages and benefits that would                                 |
| 18  | have been due the person up to and including the date of the judgment                              |
| 19  | had the act violating this section not occurred; except that nothing in this                       |
| 20  | section shall be construed to relieve such person from the obligation to                           |
| 21  | mitigate his or her damages.".   |
| 22  | Renumber succeeding section accordingly.  ** *** ***   |

