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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CONSOLIDATION OF WILDLIFE ENTITIES WITH PARKS**
102 **AND OUTDOOR RECREATION ENTITIES UNDER THE DEPARTMENT**
103 **OF NATURAL RESOURCES.**

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://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Effective July 1, 2011, the bill combines the following entities, all of which are located within the department of natural resources (department), as follows:

! The wildlife commission and the board of parks and

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outdoor recreation are merged to form a new parks and wildlife board (new board); and

- ! The division of wildlife and the division of parks and outdoor recreation are consolidated into a new division of parks and wildlife (new division).

Section 2 of the bill creates the new board and the new division. The new board consists of 16 members (the 11 members of the existing wildlife commission and the 5 members of the existing board of parks and outdoor recreation). The new division is under the direction of a single director, who will be chosen by the members of the wildlife commission and the board of parks and outdoor recreation, with the consent of the executive director of the department, and whose term begins July 1, 2011.

The new board and the new division each assume the duties, powers, and responsibilities previously exercised by their predecessor entities, which functions and duties otherwise remain intact. Similarly, all funds and expenditures of moneys from funds continue unaltered, and the new board is charged specifically with developing accounting procedures to ensure that moneys under its control are expended consistent with the purposes for which the moneys were received.

Section 3 amends the "Administrative Organization Act of 1968" to reflect the existence and character of the new board and new division, and **section 4** alters the statute listing subdivisions of the department.

Sections 5 through 11 amend current laws pertaining to wildlife, parks, and outdoor recreation to reflect the existence of the new board and new division, including, notably:

- ! Repealing and relocating duplicative or obsolete language regarding the composition, character, and terms of the new board; and
- ! Amending the defined terms "wildlife commission" and "board of parks and outdoor recreation" to mean the new board, and redefining "division of wildlife" and "division of parks and outdoor recreation" to mean the new division.

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

2 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly
3 hereby finds, determines, and declares that:


4 (a) The people of Colorado value and seek to preserve the state's
5 unique park, wildlife, and outdoor recreation heritage;

6 (b) Maintenance of a healthy outdoor recreation program is vital
7 to local, regional, and state economies;

1 (c) It is important to leverage existing fiscal, personnel, and
2 capital resources to achieve the greatest accountability, efficiency, and
3 customer-focused service delivery possible;

4 (d) Combining similar or overlapping programs and functions has
5 the potential to reduce costs, streamline processes, and provide a net
6 benefit to state budgets;

7 (e) Coloradans and visitors to the state will benefit from the
8 preservation of important programs, such as the aquatic nuisance species
9 program, the recreational trails program, and the natural areas program,
10 that would otherwise need to be scaled back or eliminated under current
11 budget proposals;

12 
13 (f) Policies, procedures, and accounting methods to ensure
14 transparency, to prevent the unauthorized commingling or impermissible
15 use of moneys in distinct funds, and to ensure that moneys are expended
16 consistent with the purposes for which they are received, collected, or
17 appropriated are fundamental to any successful effort to realize
18 efficiencies;

19 (g) Preserving the missions of the division of wildlife and division
20 of parks and outdoor recreation is a priority, as is transparency of the
21 process for combining functions, streamlining processes, and reducing
22 costs; and

23 (h) The board of parks and outdoor recreation and the wildlife
24 commission have created strategic plans that identify goals and objectives
25 for the division of parks and outdoor recreation and the division of
26 wildlife for the next five to ten years, and combining divisions so that
27 resources are shared and allocated toward the achievement of shared and

- 1 mutually beneficial goals will further these objectives, including:
- 2 (I) Protecting, restoring, and enhancing habitats;
 - 3 (II) Providing and protecting opportunities for hunting, fishing,
4 and wildlife-viewing opportunities;
 - 5 (III) Enforcing regulations that protect fish and wildlife;
 - 6 (IV) Increasing public knowledge of agency missions;
 - 7 (V) Increasing public awareness of, and participation in, a variety
8 of outdoor activities;
 - 9 (VI) Attracting and retaining a diverse workforce and promoting
10 excellence within that workforce;
 - 11 (VII) Creating and strengthening outreach and partnerships; and
 - 12 (VIII) Maximizing funding.

13 **SECTION 2.** Title 33, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY
14 THE ADDITION OF A NEW ARTICLE to read:

15 **ARTICLE 9**

16 **Administration of Parks and Wildlife**

17 **33-9-101. Board - creation - composition - terms - vacancies -**
18 **removal - meetings.** (1) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED THE PARKS AND
19 WILDLIFE BOARD, ALSO REFERRED TO IN THIS ARTICLE AS THE "BOARD".

20 (2) (a) THE BOARD CONSISTS OF SIXTEEN MEMBERS, AS FOLLOWS:

21 (I) TWO MEMBERS, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE
22 COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WHO ARE EX
23 OFFICIO NONVOTING MEMBERS; AND

24 (II) THE FOLLOWING FOURTEEN VOTING MEMBERS, WHO ARE
25 APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE CONSENT OF THE SENATE:

26 (A) NINE MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (c) OF
27 THIS SUBSECTION (2), OF WHOM NOT MORE THAN FIVE MAY BE OF THE

1 SAME POLITICAL PARTY; AND

2 (B) FIVE MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (d) OF
3 THIS SUBSECTION (2), OF WHOM NOT MORE THAN THREE MAY BE OF THE
4 SAME POLITICAL PARTY.

5 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF
6 THIS SUBSECTION (2), THE FOURTEEN VOTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
7 ORIGINALLY CONSIST OF THE NINE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE WILDLIFE
8 COMMISSION, AS THE COMMISSION EXISTED ON JUNE 30, 2011, AND THE
9 FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION, AS
10 THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION EXISTED ON JUNE 30,
11 2011. SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION, THESE MEMBERS
12 MAY SERVE OUT THE TERMS TO WHICH THEY WERE ORIGINALLY
13 APPOINTED. IF A VACANCY OCCURS ON THE BOARD FOR ONE OF THESE
14 ORIGINAL MEMBERS, THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A PERSON TO FILL
15 THE REMAINDER OF THAT MEMBER'S UNEXPIRED TERM.

16 (c) **Board members with wildlife knowledge.** THE NINE
17 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD APPOINTED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH (c) MUST
18 HAVE A REASONABLE KNOWLEDGE OF WILDLIFE ISSUES, WILDLIFE
19 HABITAT, OR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT, AND SHALL BE APPOINTED AS
20 FOLLOWS:

21 (I) **Geographical representation.** AT LEAST ONE MEMBER MUST
22 BE APPOINTED FROM EACH OF THE FOLLOWING FIVE DISTRICTS, AND NO
23 DISTRICT SHALL BE REPRESENTED BY MORE THAN THREE MEMBERS
24 APPOINTED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH (c) AT ANY ONE TIME:

25 (A) DISTRICT 1 IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:
26 MOFFAT, RIO BLANCO, GARFIELD, MESA, ROUNT, EAGLE, PITKIN,
27 JACKSON, GRAND, AND SUMMIT;

1 (B) DISTRICT 2 IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:
2 DELTA, MONTROSE, OURAY, SAN MIGUEL, DOLORES, MONTEZUMA, SAN
3 JUAN, LA PLATA, GUNNISON, HINSDALE, ARCHULETA, SAGUACHE,
4 MINERAL, RIO GRANDE, CONEJOS, ALAMOSA, AND COSTILLA;

5 (C) DISTRICT 3 IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:
6 LARIMER, WELD, MORGAN, LOGAN, WASHINGTON, SEDGWICK, PHILLIPS,
7 AND YUMA;

8 (D) DISTRICT 4 IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES: LAKE,
9 CHAFFEE, PARK, FREMONT, CUSTER, TELLER, EL PASO, PUEBLO,
10 HUERFANO, THOSE LANDS IN ELBERT COUNTY NOT DESIGNATED AS LYING
11 WITHIN DISTRICT 5, LINCOLN, CROWLEY, OTERO, LAS ANIMAS, KIT
12 CARSON, CHEYENNE, KIOWA, BENT, PROWERS, AND BACA;

13 (E) DISTRICT 5 IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES AND
14 CITIES AND COUNTIES: BOULDER, BROOMFIELD, JEFFERSON, DOUGLAS,
15 ARAPAHOE, ADAMS, ELBERT COUNTY, INCLUDING ONLY TOWNSHIPS 6
16 SOUTH THROUGH 10 SOUTH, RANGE 63 WEST, 64 WEST, AND THAT PART
17 OF 65 WEST LYING WITHIN ELBERT COUNTY, 6TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN,
18 COLORADO, CLEAR CREEK, GILPIN, AND DENVER;

19 (II) **Areas of particular knowledge.** OF THE MEMBERS
20 APPOINTED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH (c), ONE MEMBER MUST BE
21 APPOINTED FROM EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES: LIVESTOCK
22 PRODUCERS; AGRICULTURAL OR PRODUCE GROWERS; SPORTS PERSONS OR
23 OUTFITTERS; SPORTS PERSONS; WILDLIFE ORGANIZATIONS; AND BOARDS OF
24 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. THE OTHER THREE MEMBERS MUST BE
25 APPOINTED FROM THE PUBLIC AT LARGE. AS USED IN THIS SECTION:

26 (A) "SPORTS PERSON" MEANS ANY HUNTER OR ANGLER WHO HAS
27 PURCHASED OR APPLIED FOR A HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSE FOR EACH OF

1 THE PREVIOUS THREE YEARS OR WHO CAN DEMONSTRATE A REASONABLE
2 KNOWLEDGE OF WILDLIFE ISSUES, WILDLIFE HABITAT, WILDLIFE
3 MANAGEMENT, AND THE COMMISSION'S DUTIES, PROCEDURES, POLICIES,
4 AUTHORITY, AND PAST DECISIONS; AND

5 (B) "WILDLIFE ORGANIZATION" MEANS A NONPROFIT
6 ORGANIZATION, ASSOCIATION, OR CORPORATION REGISTERED WITH THE
7 SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE THAT: HAS ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION,
8 BYLAWS, AND THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS AND
9 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THAT ARE DESIGNED FOR OR
10 RELATED TO THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF PROTECTING, ADVERTISING, OR
11 ADVANCING THE CONCERNS OF ITS INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP; SUPPORTS
12 AND PROMOTES THE CONSERVATION AND ENHANCEMENT OF COLORADO'S
13 WILDLIFE AND ITS HABITAT; RECOGNIZES AND PROMOTES PRIMARILY
14 NONCONSUMPTIVE WILDLIFE USE; AND HAS EXPERTISE IN WILDLIFE ISSUES,
15 WILDLIFE HABITAT, OR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT.

16 (d) **Board members from parks and outdoor recreation**
17 **regions.** THE FIVE MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE BOARD UNDER THIS
18 PARAGRAPH (d) INCLUDE ONE PERSON APPOINTED FROM THE STATE AT
19 LARGE AND ONE PERSON APPOINTED FROM EACH OF THE FOLLOWING
20 REGIONS:

21 (I) THE WEST REGION, WHICH IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING
22 COUNTIES: ARCHULETA, DELTA, DOLORES, GARFIELD, GUNNISON,
23 HINSDALE, LA PLATA, MESA, MOFFAT, MONTEZUMA, MONTROSE,
24 OURAY, RIO BLANCO, SAN JUAN, AND SAN MIGUEL;

25 (II) THE NORTH REGION, WHICH IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING
26 COUNTIES: EAGLE, GRAND, JACKSON, LARIMER, LOGAN, MORGAN,
27 PHILLIPS, PITKIN, ROUTT, SEDGWICK, SUMMIT, WASHINGTON, WELD, AND

1 YUMA;

2 (III) THE METRO REGION, WHICH IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING
3 COUNTIES AND CITIES AND COUNTIES: ADAMS, ARAPAHOE, BOULDER,
4 BROOMFIELD, CLEAR CREEK, DENVER, DOUGLAS, GILPIN, AND
5 JEFFERSON;

6 (IV) THE SOUTH REGION, WHICH IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING
7 COUNTIES: ALAMOSA, BACA, BENT, CHAFFEE, CHEYENNE, CONEJOS,
8 COSTILLA, CROWLEY, CUSTER, ELBERT, EL PASO, FREMONT, HUERFANO,
9 KIOWA, KIT CARSON, LAKE, LAS ANIMAS, LINCOLN, MINERAL, OTERO,
10 PARK, PROWERS, PUEBLO, RIO GRANDE, SAGUACHE, AND TELLER.

11 (3) (a) TERMS OF OFFICE ARE FOUR YEARS FOR MEMBERS
12 APPOINTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS
13 SECTION.

14 (b) NO MEMBER IS PERMITTED TO SERVE MORE THAN TWO
15 CONSECUTIVE FOUR-YEAR TERMS.

16 (4) THE GOVERNOR SHALL FILL VACANCIES ON THE BOARD FOR
17 ANY UNEXPIRED TERM, WITH THE CONSENT OF THE SENATE.

18 (5) THE GOVERNOR IS PERMITTED TO REMOVE MEMBERS OF THE
19 BOARD ONLY FOR CAUSE.

20 (6) (a) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS
21 SUBSECTION (6):

22 (A) A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD CONSTITUTES A QUORUM FOR THE
23 TRANSACTION OF ANY BUSINESS.

24 (B) THE BOARD MAY TAKE ACTION ONLY UPON THE AFFIRMATIVE
25 VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF A QUORUM.

26 (II) AS USED IN THIS PARAGRAPH (a), "MAJORITY" MEANS:

27 (A) MORE THAN ONE-HALF OF THE MEMBERS WHO ARE PRESENT AT

1 A MEETING OF THOSE BOARD MEMBERS EITHER SERVING PURSUANT TO
2 SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (A) OF SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF
3 SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION OR APPOINTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH
4 (c) OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION; AND

5 (B) MORE THAN ONE-HALF OF THE MEMBERS WHO ARE PRESENT AT
6 A MEETING OF THOSE BOARD MEMBERS EITHER SERVING PURSUANT TO
7 SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B) OF SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF
8 SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION OR WHO WERE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO
9 PARAGRAPH (d) OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION.

10 (b) THE BOARD MAY SPECIFY, BY MAJORITY VOTE, TYPES OF
11 MATTERS UPON WHICH ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY VOTE OF A SIMPLE
12 MAJORITY. ANY SUCH MATTERS MAY THEREAFTER BE ACTED UPON BY A
13 SIMPLE MAJORITY OF A QUORUM OF THE ENTIRE BOARD.

14 (7) FOR PURPOSES OF MAILING AND SERVICE, THE BOARD'S
15 PRINCIPAL OFFICE IS IN THE OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

16 (8) FOR EACH DAY ACTUALLY ENGAGED IN THE DUTIES OF THE
17 BOARD, THE BOARD MEMBERS ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A PER DIEM
18 AMOUNT OF FIFTY DOLLARS, TOGETHER WITH ALL ACTUAL AND
19 NECESSARY TRAVEL EXPENSES TO BE PAID AFTER THE EXPENSES ARE
20 INCURRED. MILEAGE RATES ARE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 24-9-104,
21 C.R.S.

22 (9) THE BOARD SHALL EXERCISE ITS POWERS AND PERFORM ITS
23 DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT AND THE EXECUTIVE
24 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT AS IF THE SAME WERE TRANSFERRED TO
25 THE DEPARTMENT BY A **TYPE 1** TRANSFER, AS DEFINED IN THE
26 "ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION ACT OF 1968", ARTICLE 1 OF TITLE 24,
27 C.R.S.

1 (10) (a) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 15, 2011, THE MEMBERS OF THE
2 WILDLIFE COMMISSION AND THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR
3 RECREATION SHALL MEET AS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO:

4 (I) ELECT, FROM AMONG THEIR MEMBERS, A CHAIRPERSON OR
5 CO-CHAIRPERSONS, VICE-CHAIRPERSON, AND SECRETARY OF THE PARKS
6 AND WILDLIFE BOARD, WHICH OFFICERS HOLD THOSE POSITIONS,
7 BEGINNING JULY 1, 2011, FOR ONE YEAR OR UNTIL SUCCESSORS ARE
8 CHOSEN BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD;

9 (II) SCHEDULE, AT A MINIMUM, MONTHLY MEETING DATES
10 THROUGH THE 2011 CALENDAR YEAR, COMMENCING IN JULY 2011, AT
11 WHICH THE BOARD WILL TRANSACT REGULAR BUSINESS IN ADDITION TO
12 FORMULATING THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN DESCRIBED UNDER PARAGRAPH
13 (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (10); AND

14 (III) DESIGNATE TWO MEMBERS TO SERVE, BEGINNING JULY 1,
15 2011, AS REPRESENTATIVES TO THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT
16 OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER ARTICLE XXVII
17 OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION. ONE REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE A BOARD
18 MEMBER APPOINTED TO THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION UNDER SECTION
19 33-1-103 AND THE OTHER REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE A MEMBER
20 APPOINTED TO THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION UNDER
21 SECTION 33-10-104.

22 (b) IN ADDITION TO DISCHARGING ITS REGULAR DUTIES AND
23 FUNCTIONS, THE BOARD, AT THE MEETINGS SCHEDULED PURSUANT TO
24 SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (10), SHALL
25 SPECIFICALLY DISCUSS AND FORMULATE AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN TO
26 ADDRESS OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND IDENTIFY INCREASED EFFICIENCIES
27 AND COST SAVINGS THAT MAY BE REALIZED FROM THE 2011 MERGER OF

1 THE FORMER DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND THE FORMER DIVISION OF PARKS
2 AND OUTDOOR RECREATION INTO THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
3 THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN MUST CONSOLIDATE THE OPERATIONS AND
4 PROGRAMS OF THE TWO DIVISIONS IN A MANNER THAT, TO THE GREATEST
5 EXTENT POSSIBLE, ALLOCATES COSTS OVER A REASONABLE PERIOD OF
6 TIME AND WITHIN EXISTING BUDGET LEVELS AND USES THE BOARD'S
7 PARTICULARLY IDENTIFIED COST SAVINGS TO FINANCE THE
8 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND TRANSITION. THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
9 MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE REAFFIRMATION OF ASSENT TO THE
10 PITTMAN-ROBERTSON AND DINGELL-JOHNSON ACTS UNDER SECTION
11 33-9-107. THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN MUST ALSO INCLUDE THE BOARD'S
12 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RESTRUCTURING THE BOARD, INCLUDING
13 PROPOSALS FOR ITS NAME, SIZE, TERMS, GEOGRAPHICAL AND ISSUE
14 REPRESENTATION, AND MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS. IN DISCUSSING AND
15 MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING RESTRUCTURING THE BOARD,
16 THE BOARD SHALL SPECIFICALLY CONSIDER THE CREATION OF AN
17 ELEVEN-MEMBER BOARD. ALL MEETINGS AT WHICH THE BOARD DISCUSSES
18 THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, AND THE BOARD
19 SHALL SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND
20 ANY STRATEGIC PLANS AT THOSE MEETINGS. THE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE
21 THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AS ITS FORMAL
22 RECOMMENDATIONS.

23 (11) IN ADDITION TO ITS REGULAR MEETINGS, THE BOARD SHALL
24 HOLD WORKSHOPS EVERY TWO MONTHS TO DISCUSS PENDING MATTERS,
25 BUT NOT TO TAKE OFFICIAL ACTION OR TRANSACT BOARD BUSINESS. THE
26 BOARD MAY HOLD ADDITIONAL MEETINGS OR WORKSHOPS AT SUCH OTHER
27 TIMES AS THE BOARD DEEMS NECESSARY FOR THE PROPER TRANSACTION

1 OF ITS DUTIES AND BUSINESS AND TO SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING
2 THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FORMULATED UNDER PARAGRAPH (b) OF
3 SUBSECTION (10) OF THIS SECTION.

4 **33-9-102. Powers and duties of the board - rules.** (1) THE
5 BOARD IS VESTED WITH ALL THE POWERS, RESPONSIBILITIES, OBLIGATIONS,
6 FUNCTIONS, AND DUTIES THAT PREVIOUSLY WERE UNDER THE
7 JURISDICTION OF EITHER THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION OR THE BOARD OF
8 PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION AS OF JUNE 30, 2011.

9 (2) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER SPECIFIC GRANT OF RULE-MAKING
10 AUTHORITY, THE BOARD MAY ADOPT OR REVISE ANY RULES, IN
11 ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S., THAT THE BOARD
12 DEEMS NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT TO EFFECT THE PURPOSES OF, AND
13 FULFILL ITS DUTIES UNDER, THIS TITLE.

14 (3) THE BOARD SHALL DESIGNATE A BOARD MEMBER WITH
15 WILDLIFE KNOWLEDGE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 33-9-101 (2) (c)
16 TO SERVE AS A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT
17 OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER ARTICLE XXVII
18 OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION. THE BOARD SHALL DESIGNATE A BOARD
19 MEMBER WITH PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION KNOWLEDGE APPOINTED
20 PURSUANT TO SECTION 33-9-101 (2) (d) TO SERVE AS A REPRESENTATIVE
21 TO THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST FUND
22 ESTABLISHED UNDER ARTICLE XXVII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

23 (4) (a) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS
24 SUBSECTION (4), IN PROMULGATING A RULE TO INCREASE OR DECREASE A
25 PARK FEE OR CHARGE UNDER ARTICLES 10 TO 32 OF THIS TITLE, THE BOARD
26 SHALL CONSIDER THE EFFECT THAT THE CHANGE IN THE FEE OR CHARGE
27 WOULD HAVE ON PARK USAGE, THE DEMAND FOR THE SERVICE FOR WHICH

1 THE FEE OR CHARGE IS USED, AND OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPLEMENT
2 DIFFERENTIAL PRICING.

3 (b) THE BOARD MAY RAISE OR LOWER PARK FEES AND CHARGES
4 DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (4) IF THE BOARD
5 REASONABLY ANTICIPATES THAT THE TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUES REALIZED
6 FROM SUCH FEES AND CHARGES WILL NOT INCREASE BY MORE THAN
7 TWENTY PERCENT OVER THE ANNUAL AMOUNT EARNED FROM FEES AND
8 CHARGES AS THEY EXISTED ON JULY 1, 2011.

9 **33-9-103. Office of director of division created - duties.**

10 (1) (a) THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION IS HEREBY CREATED.
11 THE BOARD, WITH THE CONSENT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SHALL
12 APPOINT THE DIRECTOR. THE DIRECTOR SHALL DEVOTE HIS OR HER ENTIRE
13 TIME TO THE SERVICE OF THE STATE IN THE DISCHARGE OF HIS OR HER
14 OFFICIAL DUTIES AND SHALL NOT HOLD ANY OTHER PUBLIC OFFICE. THE
15 APPOINTMENT OR REMOVAL OF THE DIRECTOR IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 13
16 OF ARTICLE XII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE
17 PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1), THE DIRECTOR
18 SHALL POSSESS SUCH QUALIFICATIONS AS MAY BE ESTABLISHED BY THE
19 BOARD, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND THE STATE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR.

20 (b) (I) THE MEMBERS OF THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION AND THE
21 BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION SHALL MEET AS NECESSARY
22 TO APPOINT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION, A DIRECTOR OF THE
23 DIVISION, WHOSE APPOINTMENT BEGINS JULY 1, 2011.

24 (II) UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE BOARD, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
25 AND THE STATE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR ESTABLISH SPECIFIC
26 QUALIFICATIONS THAT THE DIRECTOR MUST POSSESS, THE QUALIFICATIONS
27 PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE FORMER DIVISION OF

1 WILDLIFE AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE FORMER DIVISION OF PARKS AND
2 OUTDOOR RECREATION, AS THOSE OFFICES EXISTED ON JUNE 30, 2011,
3 APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR.

4 (2) THE DIRECTOR SHALL EXECUTE, ADMINISTER, PERFORM, AND
5 ENFORCE THE RIGHTS, POWERS, DUTIES, FUNCTIONS, AND OBLIGATIONS
6 VESTED PREVIOUSLY IN THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND
7 THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION,
8 INCLUDING THOSE DUTIES DESCRIBED UNDER SECTIONS 33-1-110 AND
9 33-10-109.

10 (3) THE DIRECTOR SHALL EXERCISE ALL THE POWERS AND
11 PERFORM ALL THE FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD IN THE INTERIM BETWEEN ITS
12 MEETINGS, SUBJECT TO THE RATIFICATION OF THE BOARD. THE DIRECTOR
13 SHALL ACT AS RECORDING SECRETARY FOR THE BOARD AND IS THE
14 CUSTODIAN OF ALL MINUTES AND OTHER RECORDS OF THE BOARD. THE
15 DIRECTOR SHALL PERFORM SUCH DUTIES AS PRESCRIBED BY THE BOARD,
16 BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR BY LAW; EXCEPT THAT THE DIRECTOR
17 HAS NO AUTHORITY TO PROMULGATE RULES.

18 **33-9-104. Division - creation - duties.** (1) THERE IS HEREBY
19 CREATED A DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
20 NATURAL RESOURCES, ALSO REFERRED TO IN THIS ARTICLE AS THE
21 "DIVISION". THE DIVISION IS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.

22 (2) THE DIVISION SHALL EXERCISE ITS POWERS AND PERFORM ITS
23 DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS SPECIFIED IN THIS TITLE UNDER THE DEPARTMENT
24 OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR THEREOF AS IF
25 THE SAME WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY A **TYPE 1**
26 TRANSFER AS DEFINED IN THE "ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION ACT OF
27 1968", ARTICLE 1 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S. THE DIVISION HAS ALL THE POWERS,

1 DUTIES, OBLIGATIONS, AND FUNCTIONS PREVIOUSLY EXERCISED BY THE
2 DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OR THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR
3 RECREATION, AS THOSE DIVISIONS EXISTED ON JUNE 30, 2011.

4 **33-9-105. Enterprise status of the board and division.** (1) THE
5 DIVISION AND THE BOARD CONSTITUTE AN ENTERPRISE FOR THE PURPOSES
6 OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, SO LONG AS
7 THE BOARD RETAINS THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AND THE
8 DIVISION RECEIVES LESS THAN TEN PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL ANNUAL
9 REVENUES IN GRANTS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-77-102 (7), C.R.S.,
10 FROM ALL COLORADO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COMBINED. SO
11 LONG AS THEY CONSTITUTE AN ENTERPRISE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION,
12 THE DIVISION AND THE BOARD ARE NOT SUBJECT TO ANY OF THE
13 PROVISIONS OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

14 (2) THE ENTERPRISE CREATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION HAS ALL
15 THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD AND THE DIVISION AS
16 AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE.

17 (3) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION LIMITS OR RESTRICTS THE
18 AUTHORITY OF THE DIVISION TO EXPEND ITS REVENUES CONSISTENT WITH
19 THIS TITLE.

20 **33-9-106. Reports.** (1) (a) BEFORE OR DURING THE SECOND
21 REGULAR SESSION OF THE SIXTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, BUT ON OR
22 BY FEBRUARY 29, 2012, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL REPORT TO THE
23 JOINT HOUSE AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, AND NATURAL RESOURCES
24 COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND
25 ENERGY COMMITTEE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, REGARDING THE
26 BOARD'S ACTIVITIES SINCE JUNE 1, 2011, IDENTIFICATION OF ANY
27 PROBLEMS FOLLOWING THE BOARD'S INCEPTION, THE IMPLEMENTATION

1 PLAN FORMULATED BY THE BOARD, AND ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
2 FURTHER LEGISLATION TO EFFECTUATE THE CREATION, AND FACILITATE
3 OR IMPROVE THE OPERATION, OF THE DIVISION. THE REPORT MUST
4 REFLECT PUBLIC INPUT RECEIVED REGARDING THE CREATION AND
5 OPERATION OF THE DIVISION. THE REPORT MUST ALSO DESCRIBE ANY COST
6 SAVINGS THAT ARE EXPECTED TO RESULT FROM THE MERGER OF THE
7 FORMER DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND THE FORMER DIVISION OF PARKS AND
8 OUTDOOR RECREATION.

9 (b) ON NOVEMBER 30, 2011, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL
10 SUBMIT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, AND
11 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE AGRICULTURE,
12 NATURAL RESOURCES, AND ENERGY COMMITTEE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR
13 COMMITTEES, AN INFORMAL PROGRESS REPORT THAT PROVIDES A GENERAL
14 UPDATE ON THE BOARD'S EFFORTS TO CREATE THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
15 AND THAT IDENTIFIES ANY APPARENT CURRENT, OUTSTANDING, OR
16 REASONABLY ANTICIPATED ISSUES AND POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS TO THOSE
17 ISSUES. THE REPORT MUST BE IN PAPER OR ELECTRONIC FORMAT, AND
18 NEED NOT EXCEED THREE PAGES IN LENGTH.

19 (2) BEGINNING IN 2013, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL REPORT
20 ANNUALLY TO THE JOINT HOUSE AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, AND NATURAL
21 RESOURCES COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE AGRICULTURE, NATURAL
22 RESOURCES, AND ENERGY COMMITTEE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES,
23 REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DIVISION, INCLUDING AN
24 EVALUATION OF DIVISION RESOURCES AND THEIR UTILIZATION AND AN
25 IDENTIFICATION OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR EFFICIENCIES. EACH SUCH REPORT
26 MUST SUMMARIZE STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH CONDUCTED DURING THE
27 PRIOR YEAR AND MUST ALSO IDENTIFY DISPOSITION OF ASSETS AND COST

1 SAVINGS, BOTH PLANNED AND REALIZED, SINCE THE PREVIOUS YEAR,
2 INCLUDING SAVINGS PERTAINING TO PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT, SERVICES,
3 AND PROVISIONING.

4 **33-9-107. Reaffirmation of assent to federal**
5 **Pittman-Robertson and Dingell-Johnson acts.** NOTHING IN THIS
6 ARTICLE ALTERS OR AFFECTS THE STATE'S ASSENT TO THE FEDERAL ACTS
7 DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 33-1-117 AND 33-1-118, WHICH ASSENT
8 PROHIBITS DIVERSION OF LICENSE FEES PAID BY HUNTERS AND SPORT
9 FISHERMEN TO PURPOSES OTHER THAN ADMINISTRATION OF THE FISH AND
10 WILDLIFE AGENCY.

11 **33-9-108. Transfer of functions - employees - property -**
12 **records - rules - contracts - lawsuits - statutory references.**

13 (1) (a) THE BOARD SHALL EXECUTE, ADMINISTER, PERFORM, AND
14 ENFORCE THE RIGHTS, POWERS, DUTIES, FUNCTIONS, AND OBLIGATIONS
15 VESTED PREVIOUSLY IN THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION OR THE BOARD OF
16 PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION.

17 (b) (I) THE DIVISION SHALL EXECUTE, ADMINISTER, PERFORM, AND
18 ENFORCE THE RIGHTS, POWERS, DUTIES, FUNCTIONS, AND OBLIGATIONS
19 VESTED PREVIOUSLY IN THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OR THE DIVISION OF
20 PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION.

21 (II) THE DIRECTOR SHALL EXECUTE, ADMINISTER, PERFORM, AND
22 ENFORCE THE RIGHTS, POWERS, DUTIES, FUNCTIONS, AND OBLIGATIONS
23 VESTED PREVIOUSLY IN THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OR
24 THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION.

25 (2) (a) ALL POSITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE WILDLIFE
26 COMMISSION AND THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION
27 CONCERNING THE POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS TRANSFERRED TO THE

1 PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE AND
2 DETERMINED TO BE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS
3 TITLE BY THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE
4 BOARD AND ARE EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS THEREIN. ALL SUCH EMPLOYEES
5 ARE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOARD FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 24-50-124,
6 C.R.S., AND RETAIN ALL RIGHTS UNDER THE STATE PERSONNEL SYSTEM
7 AND TO RETIREMENT BENEFITS PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF THIS STATE,
8 AND THEIR SERVICES SHALL BE DEEMED CONTINUOUS.

9 (b) ALL POSITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE
10 AND THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CONCERNING THE
11 POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS TRANSFERRED TO THE DIVISION OF
12 PARKS AND WILDLIFE PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE AND DETERMINED TO BE
13 NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS TITLE BY THE DIRECTOR
14 ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE DIVISION AND ARE EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS
15 THEREIN. ALL SUCH EMPLOYEES ARE EMPLOYEES OF THE DIVISION FOR
16 PURPOSES OF SECTION 24-50-124, C.R.S., AND RETAIN ALL RIGHTS UNDER
17 THE STATE PERSONNEL SYSTEM AND TO RETIREMENT BENEFITS PURSUANT
18 TO THE LAWS OF THIS STATE, AND THEIR SERVICES SHALL BE DEEMED
19 CONTINUOUS.

20 (3) (a) ALL ITEMS OF PROPERTY, REAL AND PERSONAL, INCLUDING
21 OFFICE FURNITURE AND FIXTURES, BOOKS, DOCUMENTS, AND RECORDS OF
22 THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION OR THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR
23 RECREATION ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD AND
24 BECOME THE PROPERTY THEREOF.

25 (b) ALL ITEMS OF PROPERTY, REAL AND PERSONAL, INCLUDING
26 OFFICE FURNITURE AND FIXTURES, BOOKS, DOCUMENTS, AND RECORDS OF
27 THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OR THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR

1 RECREATION ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE
2 AND BECOME THE PROPERTY THEREOF.

3 (c) ALL PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED IN WHOLE OR
4 IN PART WITH LICENSE FEES OR FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS IS SUBJECT TO
5 ACCOUNTABILITY AND CONTROL BY THE DIVISION TO ASSURE THAT THE
6 PROPERTY SERVES THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT WAS ORIGINALLY ACQUIRED
7 THROUGHOUT ITS USEFUL LIFE.

8 (4) (a) WHENEVER THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION OR THE BOARD OF
9 PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION IS REFERRED TO OR DESIGNATED BY
10 ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT, THE REFERENCE OR DESIGNATION
11 APPLIES TO THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD. ALL CONTRACTS ENTERED
12 INTO BY THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION OR THE BOARD OF PARKS AND
13 OUTDOOR RECREATION PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 2011, ARE HEREBY VALIDATED,
14 WITH THE BOARD SUCCEEDING TO ALL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS UNDER
15 SUCH CONTRACTS. ANY CASH FUNDS, CUSTODIAL FUNDS, TRUSTS,
16 GRANTS, AND ANY APPROPRIATIONS OF FUNDS FROM PRIOR FISCAL YEARS
17 AVAILABLE TO SATISFY OBLIGATIONS INCURRED UNDER SUCH CONTRACTS
18 SHALL BE TRANSFERRED AND APPROPRIATED TO THE BOARD FOR THE
19 PAYMENT OF SUCH OBLIGATIONS.

20 (b) WHENEVER THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OR THE DIVISION OF
21 PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION IS REFERRED TO OR DESIGNATED BY
22 ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT, THE REFERENCE OR DESIGNATION
23 APPLIES TO THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE. ALL CONTRACTS
24 ENTERED INTO BY THE FORMER DIVISIONS PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 2011, ARE
25 HEREBY VALIDATED, WITH THE DIVISION SUCCEEDING TO ALL RIGHTS AND
26 OBLIGATIONS UNDER SUCH CONTRACTS. ANY CASH FUNDS, CUSTODIAL
27 FUNDS, TRUSTS, GRANTS, AND ANY APPROPRIATIONS OF FUNDS FROM PRIOR

1 FISCAL YEARS AVAILABLE TO SATISFY OBLIGATIONS INCURRED UNDER
2 SUCH CONTRACTS ARE TRANSFERRED AND APPROPRIATED TO THE DIVISION
3 FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH OBLIGATIONS.

4 (5) (a) UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED:

5 (I) WHENEVER ANY PROVISION OF LAW REFERS TO THE WILDLIFE
6 COMMISSION OR TO THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION,
7 THAT LAW SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS REFERRING TO THE PARKS AND
8 WILDLIFE BOARD; AND

9 (II) WHENEVER ANY PROVISION OF LAW REFERS TO THE DIVISION
10 OF WILDLIFE OR THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION, THAT
11 LAW SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS REFERRING TO THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND
12 WILDLIFE.

13 (b) THE REVISOR OF STATUTES IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHANGE
14 ALL REFERENCES IN THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES TO THE WILDLIFE
15 COMMISSION OR THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION FROM
16 SUCH REFERENCES TO THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD, AS APPROPRIATE.
17 THE REVISOR OF STATUTES IS ALSO AUTHORIZED TO CHANGE ALL
18 REFERENCES IN THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES TO THE DIVISION OF
19 WILDLIFE OR THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION FROM
20 SUCH REFERENCES TO THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE, AS
21 APPROPRIATE. IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH AUTHORITY, THE REVISOR OF
22 STATUTES IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO AMEND OR DELETE PROVISIONS OF
23 THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES SO AS TO MAKE THE STATUTES
24 CONSISTENT WITH THE POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS TRANSFERRED
25 PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE.

26 (6) ALL RULES AND ORDERS OF THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION OR THE
27 BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CONTINUE TO BE EFFECTIVE

1 AND SHALL BE ENFORCED BY THE BOARD UNTIL SUPERSEDED, REVISED,
2 AMENDED, REPEALED, OR NULLIFIED PURSUANT TO LAW. THE BOARD
3 SHALL ADOPT ANY RULES NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
4 DIVISION AND AS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED BY THIS TITLE.

5 (7) ALL COMMISSIONED PEACE OFFICERS OF THE DIVISION OF
6 PARKS AND WILDLIFE HAVE ALL THE POWERS, DUTIES, FUNCTIONS, SPECIAL
7 PROTECTIONS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES THAT SUCH OFFICERS EXERCISED OR
8 ENJOYED UNDER THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OR THE DIVISION OF PARKS
9 AND OUTDOOR RECREATION.

10 (8) NO SUIT, ACTION, OR OTHER PROCEEDING, JUDICIAL OR
11 ADMINISTRATIVE, LAWFULLY COMMENCED, OR WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN
12 COMMENCED, BY OR AGAINST THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION, THE BOARD OF
13 PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION, THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE, OR THE
14 DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION, OR ANY OFFICER THEREOF
15 IN SUCH OFFICER'S OFFICIAL CAPACITY OR IN RELATION TO THE DISCHARGE
16 OF THE OFFICIAL'S DUTIES, IS ABATED BY REASON OF THE TRANSFER OF
17 DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS TO THE BOARD OR THE DIVISION UNDER THIS
18 ARTICLE.

19 **33-9-109. Funds - appropriations to former divisions in 2011**
20 **general appropriations act - repeal.** (1) NOTHING IN THIS ARTICLE
21 ALTERS OR AFFECTS FUNDS PREVIOUSLY ADMINISTERED BY THE WILDLIFE
22 COMMISSION OR THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION;
23 EXCEPT THAT THE BOARD SHALL ADMINISTER SUCH FUNDS.

24 (2) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT POLICIES, PROCEDURES, OR
25 ACCOUNTING METHODS TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY AND PREVENT THE
26 UNAUTHORIZED COMMINGLING OR IMPERMISSIBLE USE OF MONEYS IN
27 DISTINCT FUNDS, TO ENSURE THAT MONEYS ARE EXPENDED CONSISTENT

1 WITH THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THEY ARE RECEIVED, COLLECTED, OR
2 APPROPRIATED, AND TO ENSURE THAT APPROPRIATE RECORDS ARE
3 MAINTAINED FOR AUDIT PURPOSES.

4 (3) (a) THE BOARD SHALL SEGREGATE ALL MONEYS RECEIVED
5 PURSUANT TO SECTION 3 (1) (b) (II) OF ARTICLE XXVII OF THE STATE
6 CONSTITUTION FROM ALL OTHER MONEYS AND SHALL SPEND THESE
7 MONEYS SOLELY FOR DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF NEW AND
8 EXISTING STATE PARKS, RECREATION AREAS, AND RECREATIONAL TRAILS.

9 (b) THE BOARD SHALL SEGREGATE ALL MONEYS RECEIVED
10 PURSUANT TO SECTION 5 (1) (a) (I) OF ARTICLE XXVII OF THE STATE
11 CONSTITUTION AND SPEND THESE MONEYS SOLELY FOR INVESTMENTS IN
12 THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES OF COLORADO, INCLUDING THE PROTECTION
13 AND RESTORATION OF CRUCIAL WILDLIFE HABITATS, APPROPRIATE
14 PROGRAMS FOR MAINTAINING COLORADO'S DIVERSE WILDLIFE HERITAGE,
15 WILDLIFE WATCHING, AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS ABOUT WILDLIFE AND
16 WILDLIFE ENVIRONMENT, CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES SET FORTH
17 UNDER SECTION 1 (1) (a) OF ARTICLE XXVII.

18 (c) THE BOARD SHALL SEGREGATE ALL MONEYS RECEIVED
19 PURSUANT TO SECTION 5 (1) (a) (II) OF ARTICLE XXVII OF THE STATE
20 CONSTITUTION AND SPEND THESE MONEYS SOLELY FOR INVESTMENTS IN
21 THE OUTDOOR RECREATION RESOURCES OF COLORADO, INCLUDING THE
22 STATE PARKS SYSTEM, TRAILS, PUBLIC INFORMATION AND
23 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION RESOURCES, AND WATER FOR
24 RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES SET FORTH
25 UNDER SECTION 1 (1) (a) OF ARTICLE XXVII.

26 (4) (a) THE STATE CONTROLLER SHALL ALLOW THE DIVISION TO
27 EXPEND APPROPRIATIONS TO THE FORMER DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND THE

1 FORMER DIVISION OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CONTAINED IN
2 THE 2011 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, SENATE BILL 11-209, AS
3 ENACTED IN 2011. THE DIVISION SHALL ADMINISTER AND EXPEND THE
4 APPROPRIATIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE
5 APPROPRIATIONS WERE MADE.

6 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (4) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013.

7 **SECTION 3.** The introductory portion to 24-1-124 (3) and
8 24-1-124 (3) (h) (I), (3) (h) (II), and (3) (i), Colorado Revised Statutes,
9 are amended, and the said 24-1-124 (3) is further amended BY THE
10 ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH, to read:

11 **24-1-124. Department of natural resources - creation -**
12 **divisions.** (3) The department of natural resources ~~shall consist~~
13 CONSISTS of the following divisions:

14 (h) ~~(I) (A) Division of wildlife, the head of which shall be the~~
15 ~~director of the division of wildlife. The division of wildlife and the office~~
16 ~~of director thereof are transferred by a **type 2** transfer to the department~~
17 ~~of natural resources as the division of wildlife.~~

18 ~~(B) The wildlife commission, created by article 1 of title 33,~~
19 ~~C.R.S., and the powers, duties, and functions thereof concerning game~~
20 ~~and fish are transferred by a **type 1** transfer to the department of natural~~
21 ~~resources as the wildlife commission.~~

22 ~~(H) The division of wildlife shall include the fish health board~~
23 ~~created by article 5.5 of title 33, C.R.S. The fish health board shall~~
24 ~~exercise its powers and perform its duties and functions as specified by~~
25 ~~law under the department of natural resources and the executive director~~
26 ~~thereof as if the same were transferred to the department by a **type 2**~~
27 ~~transfer.~~

1 (i) ~~(F) Division of parks and outdoor recreation, the head of which~~
2 ~~shall be the director of the division of parks and outdoor recreation. The~~
3 ~~division of parks and outdoor recreation, the office of director thereof,~~
4 ~~and the board of parks and outdoor recreation, created by article 10 of~~
5 ~~title 33, C.R.S., are transferred by a **type 1** transfer to the department of~~
6 ~~natural resources. The powers, duties, and functions concerning the state~~
7 ~~parks and recreation areas of the division of game, fish, and parks, the~~
8 ~~director thereof, and the game, fish, and parks commission are transferred~~
9 ~~by a **type 1** transfer to the division of parks and outdoor recreation as~~
10 ~~powers, duties, and functions of the division of parks and outdoor~~
11 ~~recreation.~~

12 ~~(H) The board of parks and outdoor recreation shall include, as an~~
13 ~~advisory council, the Colorado natural areas council, created by article 33~~
14 ~~of title 33, C.R.S.~~

15 (k) (I) (A) THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD, CREATED UNDER
16 ARTICLE 9 OF TITLE 33, C.R.S. THE POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS OF
17 THE WILDLIFE COMMISSION AND THE BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR
18 RECREATION ARE TRANSFERRED BY A **TYPE 1** TRANSFER TO THE PARKS
19 AND WILDLIFE BOARD AS POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS OF THE PARKS
20 AND WILDLIFE BOARD.

21 (B) THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD INCLUDES, AS AN ADVISORY
22 COUNCIL, THE COLORADO NATURAL AREAS COUNCIL CREATED BY ARTICLE
23 33 OF TITLE 33, C.R.S.

24 (II) (A) THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE, THE HEAD OF
25 WHICH IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE. THE
26 DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE AND THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF
27 THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE ARE TRANSFERRED BY A **TYPE 1**

1 TRANSFER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

2 (B) THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE INCLUDES THE FISH
3 HEALTH BOARD CREATED BY ARTICLE 5.5 OF TITLE 33, C.R.S. THE FISH
4 HEALTH BOARD SHALL EXERCISE ITS POWERS AND PERFORM ITS DUTIES
5 AND FUNCTIONS AS SPECIFIED BY LAW UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF
6 NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT
7 OF NATURAL RESOURCES AS IF THE SAME WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE
8 DEPARTMENT BY A **TYPE 2** TRANSFER.

9 **SECTION 4.** The introductory portion to 24-33-104 (1) and
10 24-33-104 (1) (h) and (1) (i), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to
11 read:

12 **24-33-104. Divisions and boards of the department.** (1) The
13 department of natural resources ~~shall consist~~ CONSISTS of the following
14 divisions AND BOARDS:

15 (h) The division of PARKS AND wildlife; and the PARKS AND
16 wildlife ~~commission~~ BOARD;

17 (i) ~~The division of parks and outdoor recreation; and the board of~~
18 ~~parks and outdoor recreation;~~

19 **SECTION 5.** 24-77-102 (7) (b) (IV), Colorado Revised Statutes,
20 is amended to read:

21 **24-77-102. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context
22 otherwise requires:

23 (7) (b) "Grant" does not include:

24 (IV) Any moneys received by the division of PARKS AND wildlife,
25 created in section ~~24-1-124 (3) (h) (I)~~ 33-9-104, from the great outdoors
26 Colorado trust fund established in section 2 of article XXVII of the state
27 constitution;

1 **SECTION 6.** 33-1-102 (5), (8), and (10), Colorado Revised
2 Statutes, are amended, and the said 33-1-102 is further amended BY THE
3 ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

4 **33-1-102. Definitions.** As used in this title, unless the context
5 otherwise requires:

6 (2.5) "BOARD" OR "PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD" MEANS THE
7 PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-101.

8 (5) "Commission" OR "WILDLIFE COMMISSION" means the PARKS
9 AND wildlife ~~commission~~ BOARD.

10 (8) "Director" means the director of the division of PARKS AND
11 wildlife.

12 (10) "Division" means the division of PARKS AND wildlife and its
13 employees, and, when necessary, ~~it~~ THE TERM may be construed as
14 referring to the ~~commission~~ PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD.

15 **SECTION 7. Repeal.** 33-1-103, Colorado Revised Statutes, is
16 repealed as follows:

17 **33-1-103. Wildlife commission - wildlife division - enterprise**
18 **status.** ~~(1) (a) The division shall be under the jurisdiction of a~~
19 ~~commission.~~

20 ~~(b) (1) The commission shall consist of eleven members with at~~
21 ~~least one voting member from each of the five districts created under~~
22 ~~subsection (2) of this section, and four voting members from the public~~
23 ~~at large, the commissioner of agriculture, and the executive director of the~~
24 ~~department of natural resources, or their designees, both of whom shall~~
25 ~~serve as ex officio nonvoting members. Neither the commissioner of~~
26 ~~agriculture, the executive director of the department of natural resources,~~
27 ~~nor their designees shall be considered as representatives of any political~~

1 party for purposes of subsection (5) of this section. No more than two
2 voting members shall be from any one of the five districts; except that one
3 of the at large members may be appointed from any district so that a
4 district may have three voting members. The members of the commission
5 shall be appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate.
6 Members of the commission shall be residents of this state, and each
7 member appointed from a district created under subsection (2) of this
8 section shall, at the time of the member's appointment and at all times
9 during the member's term of office, be a bona fide resident of the district
10 from which appointed. All members of the commission shall have a
11 reasonable knowledge of wildlife issues, wildlife habitat, or wildlife
12 management. Members shall be removed from office by the governor
13 only for cause.

14 (H) The governor shall appoint two members of the commission
15 on March 1 of each year and the terms of office for members of the
16 commission shall be four years; except that, as soon as possible but no
17 later than June 1, 2002, the governor shall appoint the new member from
18 the public at large authorized by subparagraph (H) of this paragraph (b).
19 Commencing March 1, 2006, and every fourth year thereafter, the
20 governor shall appoint three members to the commission. No member
21 shall serve more than two four-year consecutive terms. Vacancies on the
22 commission shall be filled for the unexpired term by the governor, with
23 the consent of the senate. A request for removal of a member shall be
24 submitted to the governor by the secretary of the commission confirming
25 that a member has failed, for reasons other than temporary mental or
26 physical disability or illness, to attend any combination of three regular
27 meetings of the commission or commission workshops during any

1 ~~twelve-month period without the commission having entered upon its~~
2 ~~minutes an approval for any such absences. The governor, in his or her~~
3 ~~discretion, may remove such member.~~

4 (HH) ~~One member of the commission shall be appointed from each~~
5 ~~of the following categories: Livestock producers, agricultural or produce~~
6 ~~growers, sportsmen or outfitters, sportsmen or sportswomen, wildlife~~
7 ~~organizations, and boards of county commissioners. Three members of~~
8 ~~the commission shall be appointed from the public at large. With the~~
9 ~~exception of members serving on the commission on January 1, 2000, a~~
10 ~~member shall serve his or her entire term, and any subsequent term,~~
11 ~~representing the category for which such member was originally~~
12 ~~appointed.~~

13 (2) ~~Commissioner districts shall be constituted as follows:~~

14 (a) ~~District 1 shall be comprised of the following counties:~~
15 ~~Moffat, Rio Blanco, Garfield, Mesa, Routt, Eagle, Pitkin, Jackson, Grand,~~
16 ~~and Summit;~~

17 (b) ~~District 2 shall be comprised of the following counties: Delta,~~
18 ~~Montrose, Ouray, San Miguel, Dolores, Montezuma, San Juan, La Plata,~~
19 ~~Gunnison, Hinsdale, Archuleta, Saguache, Mineral, Rio Grande, Conejos,~~
20 ~~Alamosa, and Costilla;~~

21 (c) ~~District 3 shall be comprised of the following counties:~~
22 ~~Larimer, Weld, Morgan, Logan, Washington, Sedgwick, Phillips, and~~
23 ~~Yuma;~~

24 (d) ~~District 4 shall be comprised of the following counties: Lake,~~
25 ~~Chaffee, Park, Fremont, Custer, Teller, El Paso, Pueblo, Huerfano, those~~
26 ~~lands in Elbert county not designated as lying within District 5, Lincoln,~~
27 ~~Crowley, Otero, Las Animas, Kit Carson, Cheyenne, Kiowa, Bent,~~

1 Prowers, and Baca;

2 (e) ~~District 5 shall be comprised of the following counties:~~
3 ~~Boulder, Jefferson, Douglas, Arapahoe, Adams, Elbert county, including~~
4 ~~only Townships 6 South through 10 South, Range 63 West, 64 West, and~~
5 ~~that part of 65 West lying within Elbert County, 6th Principal Meridian,~~
6 ~~Colorado, Clear Creek, Gilpin, and Denver.~~

7 (3) ~~Repealed.~~

8 (4) ~~The members of the commission shall receive for each day~~
9 ~~actually engaged in the duties of the office a per diem amount of fifty~~
10 ~~dollars, together with all actual and necessary travel and subsistence~~
11 ~~expenses to be paid after the same are incurred. Mileage rates shall be as~~
12 ~~provided in section 24-9-104, C.R.S.~~

13 (5) ~~Not more than five members of the commission shall be~~
14 ~~members of the same political party.~~

15 (6) ~~A majority of the voting commission membership physically~~
16 ~~present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, for~~
17 ~~the performance of any duty, or for the exercise of any power; and the~~
18 ~~commission shall act by majority vote of such a quorum; and such~~
19 ~~majority of the voting commission membership shall be physically~~
20 ~~present at the meeting or workshop at which such action is taken.~~

21 (7) ~~The members of the commission at their annual meeting in~~
22 ~~March shall elect from their membership a chairman, a vice-chairman,~~
23 ~~and a secretary. Those elected to such offices shall hold office for one~~
24 ~~year or until their successors are chosen. The commission shall hold~~
25 ~~regular meetings in January, March, May, July, September, and~~
26 ~~November and shall hold commission workshops in February, April,~~
27 ~~June, August, October, and December and may hold additional meetings~~

1 at such other times as the commission may deem necessary for the proper
2 transaction of its duties and business. Each commissioner shall hold no
3 less than two public meetings per year in his or her district.

4 (8) ~~The commission shall have its principal office in the~~
5 ~~headquarters office provided for the division.~~

6 (9) (a) ~~The division and the office of director thereof shall~~
7 ~~exercise their powers and perform their duties and functions specified in~~
8 ~~articles 1 to 6 of this title under the department of natural resources and~~
9 ~~the executive director thereof as if the same were transferred to the~~
10 ~~department by a **type 2** transfer as such transfer is defined in the~~
11 ~~"Administrative Organization Act of 1968", article 1 of title 24, C.R.S.~~

12 (b) ~~The commission shall exercise its powers and perform its~~
13 ~~duties and functions specified in articles 1 to 6 of this title under the~~
14 ~~department of natural resources and the executive director thereof as if~~
15 ~~the same were transferred to the department by a **type 1** transfer as such~~
16 ~~transfer is defined in the "Administrative Organization Act of 1968",~~
17 ~~article 1 of title 24, C.R.S.~~

18 (9.5) (a) ~~The division and the commission, created in section~~
19 ~~24-1-124 (3) (h) (I), C.R.S., shall constitute an enterprise for the purposes~~
20 ~~of section 20 of article X of the state constitution, so long as the~~
21 ~~commission retains the authority to issue revenue bonds and the division~~
22 ~~receives less than ten percent of its total annual revenues in grants, as~~
23 ~~defined in section 24-77-102 (7), C.R.S., from all Colorado state and~~
24 ~~local governments combined. So long as it constitutes an enterprise~~
25 ~~pursuant to this section, the division and the commission shall not be~~
26 ~~subject to any of the provisions of section 20 of article X of the state~~
27 ~~constitution.~~

1 ~~(b) The enterprise created pursuant to this section shall have all~~
2 ~~the powers and duties authorized by articles 1 to 6 of this title.~~

3 ~~(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or restrict the~~
4 ~~authority of the division to expend its revenues consistent with the~~
5 ~~provisions of articles 1 to 6 of this title.~~

6 ~~(10) For purposes of this section only:~~

7 ~~(a) "Sportsman" or "sportswoman" means any hunter or angler~~
8 ~~who has purchased or applied for a hunting or fishing license for each of~~
9 ~~the previous three years or who can demonstrate a reasonable knowledge~~
10 ~~of wildlife issues, wildlife habitat, wildlife management, and the~~
11 ~~commission's duties, procedures, policies, authority, and past decisions.~~

12 ~~(b) "Wildlife organization" means a nonprofit organization,~~
13 ~~association, or corporation registered with the secretary of state's office~~
14 ~~that:~~

15 ~~(I) Has articles of incorporation, bylaws, and the fiduciary~~
16 ~~responsibilities of officers and members of the board of directors that are~~
17 ~~designed for or related to the specific purpose of protecting, advertising,~~
18 ~~or advancing the concerns of its individual membership;~~

19 ~~(II) Supports and promotes the conservation and enhancement of~~
20 ~~Colorado's wildlife and its habitat;~~

21 ~~(III) Recognizes and promotes primarily nonconsumptive wildlife~~
22 ~~use; and~~

23 ~~(IV) Has expertise in wildlife issues, wildlife habitat, or wildlife~~
24 ~~management.~~

25 **SECTION 8. Repeal.** 33-1-109, Colorado Revised Statutes, is
26 repealed as follows:

27 **33-1-109. Office of director of division created.** ~~The office of~~

1 ~~director of the division is hereby created. Any other provision of the law~~
2 ~~to the contrary notwithstanding, the commission, with the consent of the~~
3 ~~executive director, shall appoint the director who shall possess such~~
4 ~~qualifications as may be established by the commission, the executive~~
5 ~~director, and the state personnel board. The director shall devote his~~
6 ~~entire time to the service of the state in the discharge of his official duties~~
7 ~~and shall not hold any other public office. The appointment or removal~~
8 ~~of the director shall be subject to the provisions of section 13 of article~~
9 ~~XII of the state constitution.~~

10 **SECTION 9.** 33-10-102 (1), (4), and (5), Colorado Revised
11 Statutes, are amended to read:

12 **33-10-102. Definitions.** As used in articles 10 to 15 of this title,
13 unless the context otherwise requires:

14 (1) "Board" OR "BOARD OF PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION"
15 means the PARKS AND WILDLIFE board of parks and outdoor recreation
16 CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-101.

17 (4) "Director" means the director of the division of parks and
18 outdoor recreation WILDLIFE CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-104.

19 (5) "Division" means the division of parks and outdoor recreation
20 WILDLIFE CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-104 and its employees, and, when
21 necessary, it THE TERM may be construed as referring to the board.

22 **SECTION 10. Repeal.** 33-10-103, Colorado Revised Statutes,
23 is repealed as follows:

24 **33-10-103. Division and board created.** ~~(1) There is hereby~~
25 ~~created a division of parks and outdoor recreation and a board of parks~~
26 ~~and outdoor recreation in the department of natural resources. Subject to~~
27 ~~the provisions of section 13 of article XII of the state constitution, the~~

1 board, with the consent of the executive director, shall appoint a director
2 of the division of parks and outdoor recreation who shall possess such
3 qualifications as may be established by the board, the executive director,
4 and the state personnel board. The director shall devote his entire time to
5 the service of the state in the discharge of his official duties and shall not
6 hold any other public office.

7 (2) The division, the director thereof, and the board shall exercise
8 their powers and perform their duties and functions specified in articles
9 10 to 15 and 32 of this title under the department of natural resources and
10 the executive director thereof as if the same were transferred to the
11 department by a **type 1** transfer as such transfer is defined in the
12 "Administrative Organization Act of 1968", article 1 of title 24, C.R.S.

13 **SECTION 11. Repeal.** 33-10-104, Colorado Revised Statutes,
14 is repealed as follows:

15 **33-10-104. Board composition - jurisdiction.** (1) The division
16 shall be under the jurisdiction of the board. The board shall consist of
17 five members who shall be appointed by the governor, with the consent
18 of the senate. One member shall be appointed from the state at large, and
19 one member shall be appointed from each of the regions created under
20 section 33-10-105, and each member shall, at the time of appointment and
21 during his term of office, be a bona fide resident of the region from which
22 he was appointed. No more than three of the appointed members shall be
23 from the same political party. Members shall be removed from office by
24 the governor only for cause.

25 (2) All board members shall serve for four-year terms. Vacancies
26 on the board shall be filled for the unexpired term by the governor, with
27 the consent of the senate.

1 ~~(3) The board members shall receive for each day actually~~
2 ~~engaged in the duties of the office a per diem amount of fifty dollars,~~
3 ~~together with all actual and necessary travel expenses to be paid after the~~
4 ~~same are incurred. Mileage rates shall be as provided in section~~
5 ~~24-9-104, C.R.S.~~

6 ~~(4) The board shall hold regular meetings at least twice a year and~~
7 ~~shall hold special meetings at such other times as the board may deem~~
8 ~~necessary. A chairman shall be chosen by the board from its own~~
9 ~~membership.~~

10 ~~(5) A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the~~
11 ~~transaction of any business.~~

12 ~~(6) The board shall have its principal office in the headquarters of~~
13 ~~the division.~~

14 **SECTION 12. Repeal.** 33-10-105, Colorado Revised Statutes,
15 is repealed as follows:

16 **33-10-105. Board regions.** ~~(1) Board regions shall be~~
17 ~~constituted as follows:~~

18 ~~(a) The west region shall be comprised of the following counties:~~
19 ~~Archuleta, Delta, Dolores, Garfield, Gunnison, Hinsdale, La Plata, Mesa,~~
20 ~~Moffat, Montezuma, Montrose, Ouray, Rio Blanco, San Juan, and San~~
21 ~~Miguel;~~

22 ~~(b) The north region shall be comprised of the following counties:~~
23 ~~Eagle, Grand, Jackson, Larimer, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Pitkin, Routt,~~
24 ~~Sedgwick, Summit, Washington, Weld, and Yuma;~~

25 ~~(c) The metro region shall be comprised of the following counties:~~
26 ~~Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Clear Creek, Denver, Douglas, Gilpin, and~~
27 ~~Jefferson;~~

1 (d) The south region shall be comprised of the following counties:
2 Alamosa, Baca, Bent, Chaffee, Cheyenne, Conejos, Costilla, Crowley,
3 Custer, Elbert, El Paso, Fremont, Huerfano, Kiowa, Kit Carson, Lake, Las
4 Animas, Lincoln, Mineral, Otero, Park, Prowers, Pueblo, Rio Grande,
5 Saguache, and Teller.

6 **SECTION 13.** The introductory portion to 24-33-109.5 (4) (a)
7 and 24-33-109.5 (4) (a) (I) (D) and (4) (a) (I) (E), Colorado Revised
8 Statutes, are amended to read:

9 **24-33-109.5. Colorado kids outdoors grant program - created**
10 **- fund created - rules - report - definitions - repeal.** (4) (a) There is
11 hereby created the Colorado kids outdoors advisory council to assist the
12 executive director in implementing the grant program. The advisory
13 council shall consist of ~~seven~~ SIX members as follows:

- 14 (I) The following ex officio members or their designees:
- 15 (D) The director of the division of parks and outdoor recreation
16 WILDLIFE in the department of natural resources; and
- 17 (E) The director of the division of wildlife in the department of
18 natural resources; and

19 **SECTION 14.** 24-33.5-415.6 (7) and (8), Colorado Revised
20 Statutes, are amended to read:

21 **24-33.5-415.6. Offender identification - fund.** (7) A surcharge
22 of two dollars and fifty cents is hereby levied against each penalty
23 assessment issued pursuant to section 33-6-104 OR 33-15-102, C.R.S.,
24 that results in payment of the penalty assessment without the
25 commencement of a criminal action. All moneys collected by the
26 division of PARKS AND wildlife in the department of natural resources
27 pursuant to this subsection (7) shall be transmitted to the state treasurer,

1 who shall credit the same to the fund.

2 (8) A surcharge of two dollars and fifty cents is hereby levied
3 against each penalty assessment issued pursuant to section 33-15-102,
4 C.R.S., that results in payment of the penalty assessment without the
5 commencement of a criminal action. All moneys collected by the
6 division of parks and outdoor recreation in the department of natural
7 resources pursuant to this subsection (8) shall be transmitted to the state
8 treasurer, who shall credit the same to the fund.

9 SECTION 15. The introductory portion to 30-25-302 (1) (a),
10 30-25-302 (1) (b), (3), (4) (a), and (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, are
11 amended to read:

12 **30-25-302. Eligibility - determination of impact - procedures**
13 **- legislative declaration.** (1) (a) Except as provided in section
14 33-60-104.5, C.R.S., for real property interests acquired with funds made
15 available from the great outdoors Colorado trust fund, in any county in
16 which the division of PARKS AND wildlife ~~or the division of parks and~~
17 ~~outdoor recreation or both divisions own~~ OWNS property, the board of
18 county commissioners of ~~such~~ THE county shall certify once a year during
19 the regular tax assessment period, to the PARKS AND wildlife ~~commission,~~
20 ~~to the board, of parks and outdoor recreation, or to both said commission~~
21 ~~and said board if both own land in such county,~~ the current dollar amount
22 representing the negative financial impact that ~~such~~ THE ownership has
23 on ~~such~~ THE county's finances and the finances of any political
24 subdivision ~~which~~ THAT lies within ~~such~~ THE county. ~~The calculation of~~
25 ~~such~~ IN CALCULATING THE dollar amount, THE BOARD OF COUNTY
26 COMMISSIONERS shall take into consideration the following factors:

27 (b) Any certification relating to land owned by the division of

1 wildlife made pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection (1) shall be
2 made to the wildlife commission. Any certification relating to land
3 owned by the division of parks and outdoor recreation made pursuant to
4 paragraph (a) of this subsection (1) shall be made to the board of parks
5 and outdoor recreation.

6 (3) The PARKS AND wildlife commission and the board of parks
7 and outdoor recreation shall review the dollar amounts certified to them
8 pursuant to subsection (1) of this section and shall certify to the general
9 assembly these dollar amounts. In making their ITS determinations, the
10 PARKS AND wildlife commission and the board of parks and outdoor
11 recreation shall consider the factors set forth in subsection (1) of this
12 section and may consider any additional relevant factors. All
13 certifications to the general assembly shall MUST include an explanation
14 of the grounds upon which the determinations of the certified amounts are
15 based. The PARKS AND wildlife commission and the board of parks and
16 outdoor recreation shall include an estimate of the amount to be certified
17 for impact assistance grants in their budget requests for each fiscal year.

18 (4) (a) The general assembly may make an appropriation in the
19 form of an impact assistance grant to any county qualifying for such grant
20 upon certification by the PARKS AND wildlife commission or the board of
21 parks and outdoor recreation of the amount for such THE grant.
22 Appropriations concerning lands owned by the division of PURCHASED
23 WITH wildlife shall CASH OR OTHER WILDLIFE MONEYS MUST be made
24 from the wildlife cash fund. Appropriations concerning lands owned by
25 the division of PURCHASED WITH GENERAL FUND OR parks and outdoor
26 recreation shall CASH OR OTHER PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION
27 MONEYS MUST be made from the general fund or the parks and outdoor

1 recreation cash fund.

2 (6) The general assembly hereby finds and declares that the
3 acquisition of large amounts of property by the division of PARKS AND
4 wildlife, or the division of parks and outdoor recreation, through the great
5 outdoors Colorado program or otherwise, can have serious financial
6 consequences for the counties and political subdivisions in which such
7 THE property is located. It is therefore the intent of the general assembly
8 that any plans for acquisition of property by the division of PARKS AND
9 wildlife or the division of parks and outdoor recreation include provisions
10 for the payment of impact assistance grants pursuant to this section or
11 payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to section 33-60-104.5, C.R.S.,
12 whichever is applicable.

13 **SECTION 16.** 33-6-105 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
14 amended to read:

15 **33-6-105. Disposition of fines and surcharges.** (1) (a) Except
16 as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection (1), all moneys
17 collected for fines under articles 1 to 6 of this title, either by payment of
18 a penalty assessment or assessed by a court upon conviction and resulting
19 from issuance of a citation by an A WILDLIFE officer of the division of
20 PARKS AND wildlife, shall be transmitted to the state treasurer, who shall
21 credit one-half to the general fund and one-half to the wildlife cash fund
22 or, for offenses involving nongame wildlife, to the nongame and
23 endangered wildlife cash fund.

24 (b) When an arrest has been made or the citation for any wildlife
25 offense has been issued by an A PARK officer of the division of parks and
26 outdoor recreation WILDLIFE or by any other Colorado peace officer, as
27 defined in this title, the state treasurer shall credit one-half of the moneys

1 collected to the general fund and one-half to the Colorado town, city,
2 county, city and county, or state agency whose officer issued the citation.

3 **SECTION 17.** 33-10-106 (1) (e) and (1) (f), Colorado Revised
4 Statutes, are amended to read:

5 **33-10-106. Duties of the board - rules.** (1) The board shall:

6 (e) Through the division, enforce the laws AND rules and
7 regulations relating to parks and outdoor recreation areas; and cooperate
8 with the division of wildlife in the enforcement of the wildlife laws, rules,
9 or regulations;

10 (f) ~~Cooperate with the division of wildlife to~~ Assure maximum
11 development and protection of wildlife habitat consistent with park and
12 outdoor recreation operations and provide full opportunity for the hunter
13 and fisherman to harvest the surplus wildlife resources on all state park
14 and outdoor recreation areas whenever public safety can be maintained;

15 **SECTION 18.** 33-11-109 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
16 amended to read:

17 **33-11-109. Trail categories.** (3) The board, through the division,
18 is authorized to conduct studies, and to promulgate such rules and
19 regulations as may be necessary for establishing and managing the
20 Colorado greenway trails system. The board shall consult and cooperate
21 with the ~~wildlife commission,~~ Colorado water conservation board,
22 transportation commission, Colorado water resources and power
23 development authority, and all other appropriate units of state government
24 and political subdivisions of the state, including, but not limited to, any
25 county, city, city and county, and water conservation and conservancy
26 district; any other public and private persons; and any appropriate federal
27 agencies to establish a Colorado greenway trails system ~~which~~ THAT

1 minimizes adverse impacts on activities, natural features, and sensitive
2 habitats adjacent to trails.

3 **SECTION 19.** 33-14-102 (1) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
4 amended to read:

5 **33-14-102. Snowmobile registration - fees - applications -**
6 **requirements - penalties - exemptions.** (1) (b) The division shall
7 employ snowmobile agents, including dealers and licensing agents
8 serving as such for the division, ~~of wildlife,~~ for snowmobile registration
9 pursuant to the provisions of section 33-12-104. ~~Such~~ THE agents shall
10 take the registration application and issue a temporary registration and
11 shall forward the application to the division, which shall issue the
12 registration. Snowmobile dealers employed as licensing agents for
13 snowmobile registration ~~shall be~~ ARE authorized to issue annual
14 registrations and shall retain a commission of up to one dollar, as
15 authorized by the division, for each registration issued.

16 **SECTION 20.** 33-14-117 (1) (b) and (2), Colorado Revised
17 Statutes, are amended to read:

18 **33-14-117. Hunting, carrying weapons on snowmobiles -**
19 **prohibitions.** (1) It is unlawful for any person to:

20 (b) Operate or ride on any snowmobile with any firearm in his OR
21 HER possession, unless such firearm is unloaded and enclosed in a
22 carrying case or inserted in a scabbard, or with any bow unless it is
23 unstrung or cased, but this paragraph (b) ~~shall~~ DOES not apply to any
24 person to whom the division ~~of wildlife~~ has issued a permit for the control
25 of predators such as coyotes, foxes, bobcats, and the like;

26 (2) Permits to use snowmobiles for the control of predators such
27 as coyotes, foxes, bobcats, and the like may be issued by the division ~~of~~

1 wildlife or its district wildlife managers at no charge to persons applying
2 therefor whose purpose is to protect livestock and other wildlife. A
3 notice of issuance of any such permit shall be given to the division by the
4 division of wildlife.

5 SECTION 21. 33-14.5-102 (1) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes,
6 is amended to read:

7 **33-14.5-102. Off-highway vehicle registration -**
8 **nonresident-owned or -operated off-highway vehicle permits - fees -**
9 **applications - requirements - exemptions.** (1) (b) The division shall
10 employ off-highway vehicle agents, including dealers and licensing
11 agents serving as such for the division, of wildlife, for off-highway
12 vehicle registration pursuant to the provisions of section 33-12-104.
13 Upon receiving a registration application, an agent shall collect the fee
14 specified pursuant to section 33-10-111 (5) and issue a temporary
15 registration and shall forward the application to the division, which shall
16 issue the registration. An agent may retain a commission of not in excess
17 of one dollar, as authorized by the division, for each registration issued.
18 Any off-highway dealer is authorized to issue a temporary registration
19 when a person purchases an off-highway vehicle from such dealer.

20 SECTION 22. 33-14.5-106 (2) (b) (I) and (2) (b) (II), Colorado
21 Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

22 **33-14.5-106. Off-highway vehicle recreation fund - creation -**
23 **use of moneys.** (2) All moneys collected for fines imposed pursuant to
24 the provisions of this article shall be distributed as follows:

25 (b) One-half of such amount collected shall be distributed as
26 follows:

27 (I) If the citing officer is a parks and recreation PARK officer, such

1 THE amount shall be transferred to the state treasurer and credited to the
2 off-highway vehicle recreation fund; or

3 (II) If the citing officer is a Colorado wildlife officer or special
4 wildlife officer, such THE amount shall be transferred to the state treasurer
5 and credited to the wildlife cash fund; or

6 SECTION 23. 33-15-103 (1) (a), (1) (b) (II) (A), and (1) (b) (II)
7 (B), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

8 **33-15-103. Disposition of fines - notice of court decisions.**

9 (1) (a) All moneys collected for fines under this article and articles 10 to
10 13 and 32 of this title, either by payment of a penalty assessment or
11 assessed by a court upon conviction, shall be transmitted to the state
12 treasurer, who shall credit such moneys to the parks and outdoor
13 recreation cash fund; except that, when an arrest has been made or the
14 citation for any offense, including those committed under article 14 of
15 this title, has been issued by an A WILDLIFE officer of the division of
16 PARKS AND wildlife, all moneys collected for the fine shall be transmitted
17 to the state treasurer, who shall credit one-half to the wildlife cash fund
18 and one-half to the general fund.

19 (b) All moneys collected for fines imposed pursuant to the
20 provisions of article 14.5 of this title shall be distributed as follows:

21 (II) One-half of such amount collected shall be distributed as
22 follows:

23 (A) If the citing officer is a parks and recreation PARK officer,
24 such THE amount shall be transferred to the state treasurer and credited to
25 the off-highway vehicle recreation fund; or

26 (B) If the citing officer is a Colorado wildlife officer or special
27 wildlife officer, such THE amount shall be transferred to the state treasurer

1 and credited to the wildlife cash fund; or

2 **SECTION 24.** 33-32-108 (1) (b), the introductory portion to
3 33-32-108 (2) (b), and 33-32-108 (2) (b) (II) and (2) (b) (III), Colorado
4 Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

5 **33-32-108. Enforcement.** (1) (b) As used in this section, "peace
6 officer" means any ~~parks and recreation officer or~~ division of PARKS AND
7 wildlife officer or any sheriff or city and county law enforcement officer
8 certified by the Colorado law enforcement training academy.

9 (2) (b) Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (a) of this
10 subsection (2), any expenses incurred by governmental entities stemming
11 from search and rescue efforts ~~which~~ THAT are reimbursed by a river
12 outfitter shall be distributed as follows:

13 (II) If to the division of parks and ~~outdoor recreation~~ WILDLIFE,
14 ONE-HALF OF THE MONEYS SHALL BE credited to the parks and outdoor
15 recreation cash fund, created in section 33-10-111, AND ONE-HALF SHALL
16 BE CREDITED TO THE WILDLIFE CASH FUND, CREATED IN SECTION 33-1-112.

17 (III) ~~If to the division of wildlife, credited to the wildlife cash~~
18 fund, created in section 33-1-112.

19 **SECTION 25.** 33-33-106 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
20 amended to read:

21 **33-33-106. Colorado natural areas council.** (2) The council
22 ~~shall consist~~ CONSISTS of the following seven members: One member
23 each from the membership of the board ~~the wildlife commission,~~ and the
24 state board of land commissioners appointed by their respective boards
25 or commissions, who shall serve for three-year terms; and ~~four~~ FIVE
26 members appointed by the governor, who shall be individuals with a
27 substantial interest in the preservation of natural areas and who shall

1 serve for four-year terms.

2 SECTION 26. 33-60-104.5 (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
3 amended to read:

4 33-60-104.5. Property acquired by state agencies with funds
5 from the great outdoors Colorado trust fund - payments in lieu of
6 taxes - restrictions - legislative declaration. (6) The general assembly
7 may make appropriations for the purpose of funding a state agency's share
8 of payments in lieu of taxes to any county entitled to receive such
9 payments. Appropriations concerning lands owned by the division of
10 PURCHASED WITH WILDLIFE CASH OR OTHER wildlife MONEYS shall be
11 made from the wildlife cash fund. Appropriations concerning lands
12 owned by the division of PURCHASED WITH parks and outdoor recreation
13 CASH OR OTHER PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION MONEYS shall be
14 made from the parks and outdoor recreation cash fund.

15 SECTION 27. 34-60-103 (4.3) and (14), Colorado Revised
16 Statutes, are amended, and the said 34-60-103 is further amended BY
17 THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

18 34-60-103. Definitions. As used in this article, unless the context
19 otherwise requires:

20 (1.5) "PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD" OR "BOARD" MEANS THE
21 PARKS AND WILDLIFE BOARD CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-101, C.R.S.

22 (4.3) "Division of PARKS AND wildlife" means the division of
23 PARKS AND wildlife identified in ~~article 1~~ ARTICLE 9 of title 33, C.R.S.

24 (14) "Wildlife commission" means the ~~wildlife commission~~
25 created in section ~~33-1-103~~, C.R.S. BOARD.

26 SECTION 28. No appropriation. The general assembly has
27 determined that this act can be implemented within existing

1 appropriations, and therefore no separate appropriation of state moneys
2 is necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

3 **SECTION 29. Effective date.** (1) Sections 33-9-101 (10) (a)
4 and 33-9-103, Colorado Revised Statutes, as enacted in section 2 of this
5 act, shall take effect upon passage.

6 (2) The remainder of this act shall take effect July 1, 2011.

7 **SECTION 30. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
8 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
9 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.