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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING STATE WARRANTS FOR TAX REFUNDS THAT ARE NOT
 102 PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT WITHIN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE
 103 OF ISSUANCE.

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.)

Legislative Audit Committee. Existing law provides that any warrant from the state representing a refund of income tax imposed that is not presented for payment within 6 months from its date of issuance shall be void. **Section 1** of the bill expands this requirement to include

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all taxes imposed or assessed by the department of revenue (department).

Existing law provides that any amount due and payable as a refund of Colorado income tax represented by a warrant that has not been presented for payment within 6 months from the date of issuance of the warrant and that has been forwarded by the department to the state treasurer is presumed abandoned. **Section 2** of the bill expands this requirement to apply to all taxes imposed or assessed by the department.

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

2 SECTION 1. 39-21-108, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended

3 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

4 **39-21-108.** Refunds. (7) (a) ON AND AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2010, 5 ANY WARRANT REPRESENTING A REFUND ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT, 6 EXCLUDING REFUNDS ADDRESSED BY SUBSECTIONS (5) AND (6) OF THIS 7 SECTION, THAT IS NOT PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT WITHIN SIX MONTHS 8 FROM ITS DATE OF ISSUANCE SHALL BE VOID. ON AND AFTER OCTOBER 1, 9 2010, UPON THE CANCELLATION OF A WARRANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 10 STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE DEPARTMENT OR THE STATE 11 CONTROLLER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL FORWARD TO THE STATE 12 TREASURER THE NAME OF THE TAXPAYER AS IT APPEARS ON THE 13 WARRANT, THE TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, THE TAXPAYER'S 14 LAST-KNOWN ADDRESS, THE AMOUNT OF THE CANCELED WARRANT, AND 15 AN AMOUNT OF MONEY EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN THE 16 WARRANT SO THAT THE STATE TREASURER MAY MAKE THE REFUND 17 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE "UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT", ARTICLE 13 OF TITLE 38, C.R.S. 18

(b) THE DEPARTMENT MAY RECLAIM FROM THE UNCLAIMED
PROPERTY FUND AND CREDIT TO THE APPROPRIATE STATE REVENUE FUND
ANY AMOUNT FORWARDED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO THE STATE
TREASURER PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (7) THAT

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WAS BASED ON A WARRANT REPRESENTING AN ERRONEOUS REFUND OR
 GRANT. IF THE STATE TREASURER ISSUED AN ERRONEOUS REFUND OR
 GRANT TO THE PERSON NAMED ON THE WARRANT, THE TREASURER SHALL
 PROVIDE PROOF OF THAT PAYMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND THE
 DEPARTMENT MAY ASSESS THAT AMOUNT PURSUANT TO SECTION
 39-21-103 (1).

SECTION 2. 38-13-109.7, Colorado Revised Statutes, is
amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

9 **38-13-109.7.** Tax refunds. (3) ON AND AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2010, 10 ANY AMOUNT DUE AND PAYABLE, AS A REFUND OF A TAX IMPOSED OR 11 ASSESSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THAT IS NOT ADDRESSED IN 12 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, REPRESENTED BY A WARRANT THAT HAS 13 NOT BEEN PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT WITHIN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE 14 OF ISSUANCE OF THE WARRANT AND THAT HAS BEEN FORWARDED BY THE 15 DEPARTMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-21-108 16 (7), C.R.S., IS PRESUMED ABANDONED.

17 **SECTION 3.** Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 18 shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 19 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 20 11, 2010, if adjournment sine die is on May 12, 2010); except that, if a 21 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 22 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 23 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not take effect 24 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 25 November 2010 and shall take effect on the date of the official 26 declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.