

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

April 4, 2011
Date

Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB11-1223 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 2, strike lines 6 through 19.
- 2 Page 3, strike lines 1 through 12 and substitute:
 - 3 "~~shall consist~~ CONSISTS of ~~nine~~ ELEVEN members, ~~seven~~ NINE of whom
 - 4 ~~shall be~~ ARE appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate and
 - 5 two of whom, the executive director of the department of natural
 - 6 resources and the executive director of the department of public health
 - 7 and environment, ~~shall be~~ ARE ex officio ~~voting~~ NONVOTING members.
 - 8 ~~At least two~~ THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE NINE VOTING MEMBERS
 - 9 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING:
 - 10 (A) **Geographical representation.** AT LEAST THREE members
 - 11 shall be appointed from west of the continental divide, ONE MEMBER
 - 12 FROM THE EASTERN SLOPE, and, to the extent possible, consistent with this
 - 13 paragraph (a), the other members shall be appointed taking into account
 - 14 the need for geographical representation of other areas of the state with
 - 15 high levels of oil and gas activity or employment. THE MEMBER
 - 16 APPOINTED FROM THE EASTERN SLOPE AND AT LEAST ONE MEMBER
 - 17 APPOINTED FROM WEST OF THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE MUST BE MEMBERS
 - 18 WITH SUBSTANTIAL EXPERIENCE IN THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY.
 - 19 (B) **Particular qualifications.** ~~Three~~ FIVE members ~~shall be~~
 - 20 ~~individuals with~~ MUST HAVE substantial experience in the oil and gas
 - 21 industry, and at least two of ~~said three~~ THOSE FIVE members ~~shall~~ MUST
 - 22 have a college degree in petroleum geology or petroleum engineering;

1 one member shall be a local government official; one member shall have
2 formal training or substantial experience in environmental or wildlife
3 protection; one member shall have formal training or substantial
4 experience in soil conservation or reclamation; and one member shall be
5 actively engaged in agricultural production and also be a royalty owner.

6 (C) **Political party affiliation.** Excluding the executive directors
7 from consideration, no more than ~~four~~ FIVE members of the commission
8 shall be members of the same political party."

9 Page 1, strike lines 102 through 106 and substitute "CONSERVATION
10 COMMISSION."

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