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HOUSE BILL 11-1210

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

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SENATE SPONSORSHIP

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House Committees
Transportation

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
102 TRANSPORTATION RECOMMEND TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
103 ACTIONS THAT CAN BE TAKEN IN THE SHORT-TERM TO IMPROVE
104 MOBILITY IN THE INTERSTATE 70 MOUNTAIN CORRIDOR.

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>.)

The bill requires the department of transportation (CDOT):
! No later than February 15, 2012, to make prioritized

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.

recommendations to the transportation committees of the general assembly regarding actions that can be taken before July 1, 2017, to improve mobility in the interstate 70 mountain corridor (corridor);

! To include with each recommendation an estimate of the amount of funding required to implement the recommendation and a recommendation regarding available or potentially available sources of such funding;

! In developing its recommendations, to consider both capacity expansion options, including, but not limited to, the opening of hard shoulders to traffic at times of peak-period congestion, and traffic demand management options and investigate the feasibility of nongovernmental actions that might improve mobility in the corridor; and

! To consult with local governments and business entities with interests in the corridor and to take such consultation into account when developing the recommendations.

The bill also allows CDOT to hold public hearings at which interested members of the public may propose actions to improve mobility in the corridor or comment on any such actions proposed by others.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Part 1 of article 1 of title 43, Colorado Revised
3 Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to
4 read:

5 **43-1-121. Interstate 70 mountain corridor - recommendation**
6 **regarding short-term mobility solutions.** (1) ON OR BEFORE
7 FEBRUARY 15, 2012, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE PRIORITIZED
8 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE
9 OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE REGARDING ACTIONS THAT CAN BE
10 TAKEN ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2017, TO IMPROVE MOBILITY IN THE
11 INTERSTATE 70 MOUNTAIN CORRIDOR. EACH RECOMMENDATION SHALL
12 INCLUDE AN ESTIMATE OF THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING REQUIRED TO
13 IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATION AND SHALL RECOMMEND AVAILABLE
14 OR POTENTIALLY AVAILABLE SOURCES OF SUCH FUNDING. IN DEVELOPING

1 ITS RECOMMENDATIONS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER BOTH
2 CAPACITY EXPANSION OPTIONS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE
3 OPENING OF HARD SHOULDERS TO TRAFFIC AT TIMES OF PEAK-PERIOD
4 CONGESTION, AND TRAFFIC DEMAND MANAGEMENT OPTIONS AND SHALL
5 INVESTIGATE THE FEASIBILITY OF NONGOVERNMENTAL ACTIONS THAT
6 MIGHT IMPROVE MOBILITY IN THE CORRIDOR.

7 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSULT WITH INTERESTED LOCAL
8 GOVERNMENTS AND BUSINESS ENTITIES THAT ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE
9 INTERSTATE 70 MOUNTAIN CORRIDOR OR THAT HAVE GOVERNMENTAL OR
10 BUSINESS INTERESTS THAT ARE LIKELY TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECTED
11 BY ANY ACTIONS TAKEN TO IMPROVE MOBILITY IN THE CORRIDOR AND
12 SHALL TAKE SUCH CONSULTATION INTO ACCOUNT WHEN DEVELOPING THE
13 RECOMMENDATIONS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION. THE
14 DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS AT WHICH INTERESTED
15 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY PROPOSE ACTIONS TO IMPROVE MOBILITY IN
16 THE CORRIDOR OR COMMENT ON ANY SUCH ACTIONS PROPOSED BY
17 OTHERS.

18 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
19 shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
20 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
21 10, 2011, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2011); except that, if a
22 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
23 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
24 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not take effect
25 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
26 November 2012 and shall take effect on the date of the official
27 declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.