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**HOUSE BILL 19-1061**

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**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**Bockenfeld,**

**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**(None),**

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**House Committees**

Appropriations

**Senate Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101     **CONCERNING A REGULAR REVIEW BY THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE**  
102         **OF EACH PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET USING A**  
103         **ZERO-BASED BUDGETING METHOD.**

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**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://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill requires the joint budget committee, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020, and for each fiscal year thereafter, to annually review 2 of the principal departments of state government using a zero-based budgeting method so that each principal department is reviewed once every 10 years. The joint budget committee must make

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

appropriation recommendations based on such review. The bill requires the office of state planning and budgeting and each principal department subject to review to assist the joint budget committee with any additional information that the committee may need to complete the reviews.

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

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-203, **amend**  
3        (1)(b.1)(I)(A); and **add** (1)(b.1)(I)(D) as follows:

4           **2-3-203. Powers and duties of the joint budget committee -**  
5        **definition - repeal.** (1) The committee has the following power and  
6        duties:

7           (b.1) (I) (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1)(b.1)(I)(D)  
8        OF THIS SECTION, effective July 1, 2004, to hold hearings as required and  
9        to review the executive budget and the budget requests of each state  
10      agency and institution, including capital construction, capital renewal, or  
11      controlled maintenance budget requests as prioritized, pursuant to rule 45  
12      of the joint rules of the senate and house of representatives, by the capital  
13      development committee, and information technology budget requests as  
14      prioritized, pursuant to rule 45 of the joint rules of the senate and the  
15      house of representatives, by the joint technology committee, and to make  
16      appropriation recommendations to the appropriations committees, or any  
17      successor committees, of each house.

18           (D) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2020, AND FOR  
19      EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, TO ANNUALLY REVIEW THE PRINCIPAL  
20      DEPARTMENTS LISTED IN SECTION 24-1-110 USING A ZERO-BASED  
21      BUDGETING METHOD AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDATIONS  
22      TO THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES,  
23      OF EACH HOUSE BASED ON SUCH REVIEW. THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

1        SHALL REVIEW TWO PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENTS EACH FISCAL YEAR USING  
2        THE ZERO-BASED BUDGETING METHOD, AND EACH PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT  
3        MUST BE REVIEWED ONCE EVERY TEN YEARS. THE OFFICE OF STATE  
4        PLANNING AND BUDGETING AND EACH PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT SUBJECT  
5        TO REVIEW SHALL ASSIST THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE WITH ANY  
6        ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT THE COMMITTEE MAY NEED TO  
7        COMPLETE THE REVIEWS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (1)(b.1)(I)(D).  
8        FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION (1)(b.1)(I)(D), "ZERO-BASED  
9        BUDGETING METHOD" MEANS THAT ALL EXPENSES, BOTH EXISTING AND  
10      NEW, OF THE PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT MUST BE JUSTIFIED FOR THE FISCAL  
11      YEAR AND EVERY FUNCTION OF THE PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT IS ANALYZED  
12      FOR ITS NEEDS AND COSTS.

13        **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
14      determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
15      preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.