

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

	April 15, 2025
Chair of Committee	Date

Committee on Appropriations.

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

HB25-1275 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend the Judiciary Committee Report, dated March 26, 2025, page 9,
2 line 7, after "24-72-303," insert "**amend** (4)(g); and".

3 Page 9, line 10, after "(a.5)" insert "(I)".

4 Page 9, line 16, strike "SECTION." and substitute "SECTION.

5 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION
6 (4)(a.5)(I) OF THIS SECTION, THE CUSTODIAN OF A FINAL REPORT THAT
7 CONCLUDES THAT A CRIME LABORATORY EMPLOYEE ENGAGED IN
8 WRONGFUL ACTION MAY DENY INSPECTION OF THE REPORT IF THERE IS AN
9 ONGOING CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION OR CRIMINAL CASE AGAINST A CRIME
10 LABORATORY EMPLOYEE RELATED TO THE SUBJECT OF THE WRONGFUL
11 ACTION. THE FINAL REPORT FILE MUST BE OPEN FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION
12 UPON THE DISMISSAL OF ALL CHARGES OR UPON A SENTENCE FOR A
13 CONVICTION.

14 (g) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (4)(a), ~~(4)(a.5)~~,
15 and (4)(e) of this section, the custodian of an internal investigation file as
16 described in subsection (4)(a) of this section OR A FINAL REPORT AS
17 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (4)(a.5) OF THIS SECTION may deny inspection
18 of the file if the inspection is prohibited by rules promulgated ADOPTED
19 by the Colorado supreme court or by a court order.".

20 Amend printed bill, page 25, before line 16 insert:

21 "SECTION 3. **Appropriation.** (1) For the 2025-26 state fiscal
22 year, \$140,443 is appropriated to the judicial department for use by the
23 state courts. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement
24 this act, the state courts may use this appropriation as follows:

1 (a) \$16,840 for use by state courts administration for capital
2 outlay; and

3 (b) \$123,603 for use by the trial courts for trial court programs,
4 which amount is based on an assumption that the trial courts will require
5 an additional 1.1 FTE."

6 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

7 Page 1, line 104, strike the second "AND".

8 Page 1, line 107, strike "EMPLOYEE." and substitute "EMPLOYEE, AND
9 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION."

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