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A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING FUNDING FOR CRIME VICTIM SERVICES.

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 general assembly to annually appropriate, at a minimum, the following amounts for crime victim services, in addition to other statutorily required appropriations:

- \$3 million to the victims and witnesses assistance and law enforcement fund for allocation to judicial districts;
- \$4.5 million to the state victims assistance and law enforcement fund; and
- \$7.5 million to the state domestic violence and sexual

assault services fund for domestic violence, sexual assault, or culturally specific programs.

The general assembly is permitted to appropriate less than \$3 million to the victims and witnesses assistance and law enforcement fund for allocation to judicial districts and instead appropriate that money to the Colorado crime victim services fund or the state victims assistance and law enforcement fund.

Under existing law, the Colorado crime victim services fund and the state domestic violence and sexual assault services fund are scheduled for repeal in 2027. The bill continues both funds indefinitely.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:* 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-4.2-103, amend 3 (1.5) as follows: 4 24-4.2-103. Victims and witnesses assistance and law enforcement fund - control of fund - appropriation. (1.5) (a) In 5 6 addition to the money paid into the fund pursuant to subsection (1) of this 7 section, the fund consists of money paid pursuant to section 17-27-104 8 (4)(b)(IV), money transferred from the marijuana tax cash fund pursuant 9 to section 39-28.8-501 (4.9)(c), and any other money that the general 10 assembly may appropriate or transfer to the fund. 11 (b) For State fiscal year 2023-24 and for each state 12 FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER MONEY PAID INTO 13 THE FUND PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL 14 APPROPRIATE AT LEAST THREE MILLION DOLLARS TO THE FUND FOR ANY 15 ALLOWABLE USE OF THE FUND. THE OFFICE OF THE STATE COURT 16 ADMINISTRATOR SHALL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DIVISION OF 17 CRIMINAL JUSTICE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND WITH 18 THE VICTIMS AND WITNESSES ASSISTANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT 19 PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR IN EACH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, DISTRIBUTE THE 20 MONEY APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1.5)(b) BASED ON

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1	NEED.
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3	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-505.5,
4	amend (3), (4), (5)(b), and (7) as follows:
5	24-33.5-505.5. Colorado crime victim services fund - creation
6	- uses - applications for grants - legislative declaration - repeal.
7	(3) The division shall award grants from the fund to governmental
8	agencies and nonprofit organizations that provide services for crime
9	victims, including attending to the needs of animal companions. A grant
10	award may be used to enhance or provide services for crime victims.
11	including services permitted pursuant to the federal "American Rescue
12	Plan Act of 2021", Pub.L. 117-2. The division shall award grants from the
13	fund in accordance with the division's process for awarding grants
14	described in section 24-33.5-507.
15	(4) Within three days after May 19, 2022, the state treasurer shall
16	transfer thirty-two million dollars to the fund from the economic recovery
17	and relief cash fund, created in section 24-75-228, and transfer six million
18	dollars to the fund from the general fund. THE MONEY TRANSFERRED TO
19	THE FUND THAT ORIGINATES FROM MONEY THE STATE RECEIVED FROM THE
20	FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND MAY ONLY BE
21	USED FOR SERVICES PERMITTED PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL "AMERICAN
22	RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021", PUB.L. 117-2.
23	(5) (b) The division and each recipient of money from the fund
24	THAT ORIGINATES FROM MONEY THE STATE RECEIVED FROM THE FEDERAL
25	CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND shall comply with the
26	compliance, reporting, record-keeping, and program evaluation
27	requirements established by the office of state planning and budgeting

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1	and the state controller in accordance with section 24-75-226 (5).
2	(7) This section is Subsections (4) and (5)(b) of this section
3	ARE repealed, effective July 1, 2027.
4	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-506, add
5	(1.5)(d) as follows:
6	24-33.5-506. Victims assistance and law enforcement fund -
7	creation - appropriation. (1.5) (d) (I) EXCEPT AS DESCRIBED IN
8	SUBSECTION (1.5)(d)(II) OF THIS SECTION, FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR
9	2023-24and for each state fiscal year thereafter, in addition to
10	ANY OTHER MONEY PAID INTO THE FUND PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, THE
11	GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE AT LEAST FOUR MILLION FIVE
12	HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE FUND FOR THE PROGRAMS AND
13	PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.
14	(II) BEGINNING IN STATE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25, THE GENERAL
15	ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE LESS THAN THE AMOUNT REQUIRED
16	Pursuant to subsection $(1.5)(d)(I)$ of this section for a state
17	FISCAL YEAR AND INSTEAD APPROPRIATE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE
18	AMOUNT ACTUALLY APPROPRIATED AND THE MINIMUM AMOUNT REQUIRED
19	TO THE COLORADO CRIME VICTIM SERVICES FUND CREATED IN SECTION
20	24-33.5-505.5. In determining whether to reduce the
21	APPROPRIATION, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL CONSIDER THE
22	RECOMMENDATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SUBMITTED
23	PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION $(1.5)(d)(III)$ OF THIS SECTION.
24	(III) BEGINNING WITH ITS ANNUAL BUDGET REQUEST TO THE
25	GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25, THE DEPARTMENT
26	SHALL INCLUDE IN ITS REQUEST A RECOMMENDATION OF WHETHER THE
27	GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD REDUCE THE APPROPRIATION TO THE FUND

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1	CREATED IN THIS SECTION, AS PERMITTED IN SUBSECTION $(1.5)(d)(II)$ of
2	THIS SECTION, AND APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL MONEY TO THE COLORADO
3	CRIME VICTIM SERVICES FUND CREATED IN SECTION 24-33.5-505.5. IN
4	MAKING ITS RECOMMENDATION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER ANY
5	REDUCTION IN REVENUE TO THE FUND CREATED IN THIS SECTION CAUSED
6	BY REDUCED FEE REVENUE AND THE NEED TO FUND CRIME VICTIM
7	SERVICES GRANTS FROM THE COLORADO CRIME VICTIM SERVICES FUND.
8	SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-7.5-105, amend
9	(4)(a), (4)(b), (4)(c), and (4)(e); and add (c.5) as follows:
10	26-7.5-105. Funding of domestic violence, sexual assault, or
11	culturally specific programs - funding coalitions - state domestic
12	violence and sexual assault services fund - appropriation - repeal.
13	(4) (a) The state domestic violence and sexual assault services fund is
14	created in the state treasury and is referred to in this subsection (4) as the
15	"fund". The fund consists of money transferred to the fund pursuant to
16	subsection (4)(b) of this section AND ANY OTHER MONEY APPROPRIATED
17	OR TRANSFERRED INTO THE FUND. Money in the fund is continuously
18	appropriated to the state department for any purpose described in this
19	article 7.5. that conforms with the allowable purposes set forth in the
20	federal "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021", Pub.L. 117-2.
21	(b) Within three days after May 19, 2022, the state treasurer shall
22	transfer six million dollars to the fund from the behavioral and mental
23	health cash fund, created in section 24-75-230. NOTWITHSTANDING
24	SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION, THE MONEY TRANSFERRED TO THE
25	FUND PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (4)(b) THAT ORIGINATES FROM
26	MONEY THE STATE RECEIVED FROM THE FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS STATE
2.7	FISCAL RECOVERY FUND MAY ONLY BE USED FOR A PURPOSE DESCRIBED IN

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1	This article 7.5 that conforms with the allowable purposes set
2	FORTH IN THE FEDERAL "AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021", PUB.L.
3	117-2.
4	(c) The state department and each recipient of money from the
5	fund that originates from money the state received from the
6	FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND shall comply with
7	the compliance, reporting, record-keeping, and program evaluation
8	requirements established by the office of state planning and budgeting
9	and the state controller in accordance with section 24-75-226 (5).
10	(c.5) For state fiscal year 2023-24 and for each state
11	FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE
12	AT LEAST SIX MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE FUND.
13	(e) This subsection (4) is SUBSECTIONS (4)(b) AND (4)(c) OF THIS
14	SECTION ARE repealed, effective July 1, 2027.
15	SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-20.5-801, amend
16	(9)(e) as follows:
17	25-20.5-801. Community crime victims grant program -
18	created - cash fund - repeal. (9) (e) The state treasurer shall transfer all
19	unexpended and unencumbered money in the fund on September 1, 2024,
20	AUGUST 31, 2023, to the general fund.
21	SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-20.5-801, amend
22	(9)(e); and add (11) as follows:
23	25-20.5-801. Community crime victims grant program -
24	created - cash fund - repeal. (9) (e) The state treasurer shall transfer all
25	unexpended and unencumbered money in the fund on September 1, 2024,
26	AUGUST 31, 2028, to the general fund.
27	(11) ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2023, AND ON JULY 1 EACH YEAR

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1	THEREAFTER, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER ONE MILLION
2	DOLLARS TO THE COMMUNITY CRIME VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM CASH
3	FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (9) OF THIS SECTION.
4	SECTION 7. Effective date. (1) Except as otherwise provided
5	in this section, this act takes effect upon passage.
6	(2) Section 5 of this act takes effect only if Senate Bill 23-160
7	does not become law.
8	(3) Section 6 of this act takes effect only if Senate Bill 23-160
9	becomes law, in which case section 6 take effect upon the effective date
10	of this act or Senate Bill 23-160, whichever is later.
11	SECTION 8. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
12	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
13	preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

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