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STATE OF COLORADO**

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**SENATE BILL 25B-005**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING A REALLOCATION OF FUNDING FROM THE DIVISION OF**  
102              **PARKS AND WILDLIFE FOR THE REINTRODUCTION OF GRAY**  
103              **WOLVES TO THE COLORADO HEALTH INSURANCE**  
104              **AFFORDABILITY ENTERPRISE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,**  
105              **REDUCING AN APPROPRIATION.**

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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 reduces by \$264,268 an appropriation for the 2025-26 state fiscal year from the general fund to the department of natural

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.*  
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HOUSE  
Amended 3rd Reading  
August 24, 2025

HOUSE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
August 23, 2025

SENATE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
August 22, 2025

SENATE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
August 21, 2025

resources division of parks and wildlife (division) for the reintroduction of gray wolves. The bill requires the state treasurer to transfer a corresponding amount from the general fund to the Colorado health insurance affordability enterprise cash fund on September 1, 2025.

The bill also prohibits the division from using the money appropriated from the general fund in state fiscal year 2025-26 (appropriated money) for the acquisition and reintroduction of gray wolves or from taking any action to acquire or reintroduce gray wolves during state fiscal year 2025-26. The division may use the appropriated money to assist owners of livestock in preventing and resolving conflicts between gray wolves and livestock and to pay fair compensation to owners of livestock for any losses of livestock caused by gray wolves.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-16-1206, **amend** (1)(g) and (1)(h); and **add** (1)(i) and (5) as follows:

**10-16-1206. Health insurance affordability cash fund - creation - repeal.** (1) There is created in the state treasury the health insurance affordability cash fund. The fund consists of:

(g) The federal share of the medical assistance payments received pursuant to section 25.5-4-503 (2); ~~and~~

(h) Gifts, grants, or donations received from private or public sources; AND

(i) ANY OTHER MONEY THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATED OR TRANSFERRED TO THE FUND.

(5) (a) ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2025, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE FUND.

(b) THIS SUBSECTION (5) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026.

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 33-2-105.8, **add** (4.7) as follows:

1           **33-2-105.8. Reintroduction of gray wolves on designated lands**  
2   **west of the continental divide - public input in commission**  
3   **development of restoration plan - compensation to owners of**  
4   **livestock - definitions - repeal.** (4.7) (a) THE DIVISION SHALL NOT USE  
5   MONEY APPROPRIATED FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR  
6   2025-26 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING OR REINTRODUCING GRAY  
7   WOLVES. THE DIVISION MAY USE MONEY APPROPRIATED FOR STATE FISCAL  
8   YEAR 2025-26 FOR THE PURPOSES LISTED IN SUBSECTIONS (2)(e)(I) AND  
9   (2)(e)(II) OF THIS SECTION.  
10           (b) THIS SUBSECTION (4.7) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026.

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	APPROPRIATION FROM				
			GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	<b>SECTION 3. Appropriation to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025.</b> In Session Laws of Colorado 2025, section 2 of chapter						
2	476, (SB 25-206), <b>amend</b> Part XV (5)(A), the affected totals, and footnote 79 as follows:						
3	Section 2. <b>Appropriation.</b>						
4	<b>PART XV</b>						
5	<b>DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES</b>						
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7	<b>(5) DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE</b>						
8	<b>(A) Colorado Parks and Wildlife Operations</b>						
9	State Park Operations	64,834,343			63,934,343 <sup>a</sup>		900,000(I) <sup>b</sup>
10	(332.1 FTE)						
11	Wildlife Operations <sup>79, 80</sup>	<del>134,373,507</del>	<del>2,147,712</del>		97,525,795 <sup>c</sup>		34,700,000(I)
12		134,109,239	1,883,444				
13	(731.8 FTE)						

			APPROPRIATION FROM				
	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1 Vendor Commissions,							
2 Fulfillment Fees, and Credit							
3 Card Fees	11,684,700				11,684,700 <sup>d</sup>		
4	<u>210,892,550</u>						
5	210,628,282						
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7 <sup>a</sup> Of these amounts, \$49,667,313 shall be from the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Cash Fund created in Section 33-10-111 (1), C.R.S., \$8,800,000(I) shall be from the Great Outdoors							
8 Colorado Program established in Section 1 of Article XXVII of the State Constitution, \$2,459,306(I) shall be from Lottery proceeds pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXVII of the State							
9 Constitution, \$2,243,971 shall be from the Severance Tax Operational Fund created in Section 39-29-109 (2)(b), C.R.S., \$641,063 shall be from the Off-highway Vehicle Recreation							
10 Fund created in Section 33-14.5-106 (1), C.R.S., and \$122,690 shall be from the Snowmobile Recreation Fund created in Section 33-14-106 (1)(a), C.R.S. The appropriation from the							
11 Severance Tax Operational Fund is made in accordance with allocations specified in Section 39-29-109.3 (1)(f), C.R.S. Pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXVII of the State Constitution,							
12 amounts appropriated from the Great Outdoors Colorado Program and lottery proceeds are continuously appropriated and are shown for informational purposes only.							
13 <sup>b</sup> This amount shall be from various sources of federal funds, including funds anticipated to be received from the United States Bureau of Reclamation through a cost-sharing agreement							
14 to address the net operating deficit of Paonia, Vega, Rifle Gap, Crawford, Navajo, Mancos, and Ridgway State Parks, and is shown for informational purposes only.							

		APPROPRIATION FROM					
	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	° Of these amounts, \$84,110,795 shall be from the Wildlife Cash Fund created in Section 33-1-112 (1)(a), C.R.S., \$8,800,000(I) shall be from the Great Outdoors Colorado Program						
2	established in Section 1 of Article XXVII of the State Constitution, \$3,000,000 shall be from the Wildlife Management Public Education Fund created in Section 33-1-112 (3.5)(a), C.R.S.,						
3	\$700,000 shall be from the Wolf Depredation Compensation Fund created in Section 33-1-128 (2)(a), C.R.S., \$500,000 shall be from subscription revenues credited to the Colorado						
4	Outdoors Magazine Revolving Fund created in Section 33-1-114 (1), C.R.S., \$400,000 shall be from the Colorado Nongame Conservation and Wildlife Restoration Cash Fund created						
5	in Section 33-1-125 (1)(a), C.R.S., and \$15,000 shall be from the Federal Aid Projects Income Fund created in Section 33-1-119, C.R.S. Pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXVII of the						
6	State Constitution, amounts appropriated from the Great Outdoors Colorado Program and lottery proceeds are continuously appropriated and are shown for informational purposes only.						
7	d Of this amount, an estimated \$10,000,000 shall be from the Wildlife Cash Fund created in Section 33-1-112 (1)(a), C.R.S., an estimated \$1,350,000 shall be from the Parks and Outdoor						
8	Recreation Cash Fund created in Section 33-10-111 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$250,000 shall be from the Off-highway Vehicle Recreation Fund created in Section 33-14.5-106 (1), C.R.S.,						
9	an estimated \$31,700 shall be from the sale of migratory waterfowl stamps pursuant to Section 33-4-102.5 (2), C.R.S., and an estimated \$53,000 shall be from the Snowmobile Recreation						
10	Fund created in Section 33-14-106 (1)(a), C.R.S.						
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12	TOTALS PART XV						
13	(NATURAL						
14	RESOURCES)	\$476,725,197	\$57,345,170		\$367,162,434 <sup>a</sup>	\$9,587,533 <sup>b</sup>	\$42,630,060 <sup>c</sup>
15		\$476,460,929	\$57,080,902				

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	APPROPRIATION FROM				
			GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

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2     <sup>a</sup> Of this amount, \$35,474,230 contains an (I) notation and an estimated \$31,417,277 is from the Severance Tax Operational Fund pursuant to Section 39-29-109.3 (1), C.R.S.

3     <sup>b</sup> Of this amount, \$1,115,249 contains an (I) notation.

4     <sup>c</sup> This amount contains an (I) notation.

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6     **FOOTNOTES** -- The following statements are referenced to the numbered footnotes throughout section 2.

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8     79     Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Wildlife, Colorado Parks and Wildlife Operations, Wildlife Operations -- It is the General Assembly's  
9     intent that ~~\$2,100,000~~ \$1,835,732 General Fund appropriated for this line item be used for the implementation of Proposition 114 for the reintroduction and  
10    management of gray wolves.

1           **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,  
2 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
3 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for  
4 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state  
5 institutions.