

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

	May 5, 2025
Chair of Committee	Date

Committee on Transportation & Energy.

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

HB25-1292 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 3, line 19, strike "SIXTY-NINE" and
2 substitute "ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN".

3 Page 5, strike lines 18 through 22 and substitute:

4 "(III) THE CONSTRUCTABILITY, ACCESS, AND MAINTENANCE
5 REPORT MUST INCLUDE MITIGATION STRATEGIES FOR POTENTIAL IMPACTS
6 OF THE PROPOSED HIGH VOLTAGE LINE, AS IDENTIFIED BY THE
7 DEPARTMENT IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE
8 CREATED IN SECTION 24-38.5-101 AND OTHER CONSULTING AGENCIES IN
9 THE DISCRETION OF THE DEPARTMENT. POTENTIAL IMPACTS INCLUDE
10 IMPACTS TO:

11 (A) HABITAT, WILDLIFE, AND WILDLIFE CROSSINGS;
12 (B) COMMUNITIES; AND
13 (C) DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED COMMUNITIES, AS DEFINED
14 IN SECTION 24-4-109 (2)(b)(II).

15 (IV) (A) A MITIGATION STRATEGY FOR AN IMPACT TO A
16 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED COMMUNITY, AS OUTLINED IN A
17 CONSTRUCTABILITY, ACCESS, AND MAINTENANCE REPORT, MUST INCLUDE
18 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT THAT FOLLOWS BEST PRACTICES FOR
19 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REVIEW WHETHER
20 A TRANSMISSION DEVELOPER HAS FOLLOWED BEST PRACTICES FOR
21 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT. IN ITS REVIEW, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
22 CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OUTLINED IN THE COLORADO
23 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ACTION TASK FORCE'S 2022 FINAL REPORT OF
24 THE TASK FORCE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 25-1-133 (1)(f).

25 (B) COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES THAT ARE CONSISTENT
26 WITH REGULATIONS OR REQUIREMENTS OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES

1 COMMISSION SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION (2)(b)(IV)
2 FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT."

3 Renumber succeeding subparagraph accordingly.

4 Page 9, line 10, strike "COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE AND THE".

5 Page 9, line 14, strike "COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE AND THE".

6 Page 9, line 16, strike "THEIR WEBSITES" and substitute "ITS WEBSITE".

7 Page 9, line 17, after "DEPARTMENT," insert "THE COLORADO ENERGY
8 OFFICE,".

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