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HOUSE BILL 25-1302

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

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House Committees

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Finance Appropriations

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING INCREASING THE AVAILABILITY OF HOMEOWNER'S
102	INSURANCE IN THE STATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH
103	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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 creates 2 enterprises in the division of insurance (division) in the department of regulatory agencies.

The bill creates the strengthen Colorado homes enterprise (strengthen homes enterprise), which is a state-owned business that imposes and collects a fee from insurance companies (insurers), including

the FAIR plan association, that offer homeowner's insurance policies in Colorado, which fee is equal to 1.5% of the dollar amount of the premiums that the insurer collects from homeowners for issuing homeowner's insurance policies (insurer fee).

With the insurer fee revenue, the strengthen homes enterprise board administers a grant program (grant program) to strengthen homes against the risk of future damage claims caused by high winds, wildfire, hail, and other extreme weather events (extreme weather events) by allowing a homeowner to use grant money to upgrade their roof system with certain resilient roof materials. By paying the insurer fee to support the grant program to retrofit homes with resilient roofs, insurers reduce their overall risk in the market due to hail and other extreme weather events.

The bill also creates the wildfire catastrophe reinsurance enterprise (reinsurance enterprise), which is a state-owned business implementing and administering the wildfire catastrophe reinsurance program (reinsurance program). The reinsurance program makes reinsurance payments to insurers that offer homeowner's insurance on properties located in the state to partially mitigate losses in the event of a state or federally declared wildfire-related disaster (wildfire-related disaster). The purpose of the reinsurance program is to stabilize the homeowner's insurance market in the state and to attract and retain homeowner's insurers. In exchange for access to the reinsurance program, the reinsurance program requires insurers to sell homeowner's insurance in areas of the state that are at high risk for wildfires.

To pay for the reinsurance program, the reinsurance enterprise:

- Issues revenue bonds secured by the reinsurance enterprise;
- Issues a catastrophe bond to a person that purchases the bond but pays the principal to cover costs of a wildfire-related disaster if it occurs;
- May impose and collect an insurer fee on insurers to cover a shortfall if a wildfire-related disaster does not occur during the bond term and the reinsurance enterprise has insufficient money to redeem the bonds at maturity; and
- Invests the revenue from the bonds and insurer fees.

In addition, the bill sets the loss ratio for homeowner's insurance by presuming that the rates charged to purchasers are excessive if the insurer's loss ratio is less than 75% over a 3-year period and, if rates are in excess of the loss ratio, requires insurers to submit rates that are at least 5% less than the previous year.

- 1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
- 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add parts 20 and 21

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1	to article 4 of title 10 as follows:
2	PART 20
3	STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES ENTERPRISE
4	10-4-2001. Legislative declaration. (1) THE GENERAL
5	ASSEMBLY:
6	(a) FINDS AND DETERMINES THAT:
7	(I) INCREASED GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS AND RAPIDLY RISING
8	TEMPERATURES RESULTING FROM HUMAN ACTIVITY ARE CHANGING THE
9	CLIMATE IN WAYS THAT THREATEN COLORADO'S ECONOMY, THE HEALTH
10	OF ITS RESIDENTS, AND ITS NATURAL LANDSCAPE;
11	(II) THESE TEMPERATURE INCREASES HAVE AN IMPACT ON
12	COLORADO'S ENVIRONMENT, WITH DROUGHT, HEAT WAVES, WINDSTORMS,
13	WILDFIRES, HAIL, AND OTHER EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS INCREASING IN
14	RECENT YEARS;
15	(III) THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THESE INCREASINGLY FREQUENT
16	AND SEVERE WEATHER EVENTS ARE SIGNIFICANT;
17	(IV) COLORADO PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE STATE ARE FACED
18	WITH CHALLENGES IN FINDING INSURANCE COVERAGE AND INCREASING
19	INSURANCE PREMIUMS, UNDERMINING THE ABILITY TO PURCHASE, SELL,
20	AND OWN A HOME;
21	(V) THERE IS A NEED IN THE STATE TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENTS
22	IN HOME HARDENING, WHICH MEANS MAKING HOMES AND COMMUNITIES
23	MORE RESILIENT TO EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS SUCH AS HAIL AND
24	WILDFIRES;
25	(VI) MAKING INVESTMENTS IN HOME HARDENING WILL DECREASE
26	LOSSES THAT WOULD OTHERWISE PREDOMINANTLY BE PAID BY INSURERS
27	AND WILL ALLOW AND ENCOURAGE INSURER PARTICIPATION AND

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1	COMPETITION IN THE INSURANCE MARKET TO OFFER COVERAGE
2	THROUGHOUT THE STATE TO ALL COLORADANS, RESULTING IN LONG-TERM
3	SAVINGS FOR HOMEOWNERS AND INSURERS; AND
4	(VII) ACCORDINGLY, IT IS APPROPRIATE TO FINANCE A HOME
5	HARDENING PROGRAM THROUGH A FEE IMPOSED ON HOMEOWNER'S
6	INSURANCE PRODUCTS; AND
7	(b) DECLARES THAT:
8	(I) THE STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES ENTERPRISE PROVIDES
9	VALUABLE SERVICES, BENEFITS, AND USEFUL BUSINESS SERVICES TO
10	HOMEOWNERS WHEN, IN EXCHANGE FOR PAYMENT OF THE FEE DESCRIBED
11	IN SECTION 10-4-2003, THE ENTERPRISE USES THE FEE REVENUE TO
12	PROVIDE GRANTS TO HOMEOWNERS TO FORTIFY THE ROOF OF AND
13	OTHERWISE MITIGATE THE RISK OF LOSSES TO AN INSURED PROPERTY
14	RESULTING FROM NATURAL DISASTERS AND EXTREME WEATHER,
15	INCLUDING HAIL, THUS REDUCING RISK AND LOSSES TO HOMEOWNERS AND
16	INSURERS IN THE STATE;
17	(II) BY PROVIDING THE BENEFITS AND SERVICES SPECIFIED IN THIS
18	PART 20, THE STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES ENTERPRISE ENGAGES IN
19	ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED IN THE PURSUIT OF A BENEFIT, GAIN, OR
20	LIVELIHOOD AND THEREFORE OPERATES AS A BUSINESS;
21	(III) CONSISTENT WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE COLORADO
22	SUPREME COURT IN NICHOLL V. E-470 PUBLIC HIGHWAY AUTHORITY, 896
23	P.2d 859 (Colo. 1995), that the power to impose taxes is
24	Inconsistent with enterprise status under section 20 of article
25	X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONCLUDES
26	THAT THE REVENUE COLLECTED BY THE ENTERPRISE IS GENERATED BY
27	FEES, NOT TAXES, BECAUSE THE MONEY CREDITED TO THE ENTERPRISE IS:

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1	(A) FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF ALLOWING THE ENTERPRISE TO
2	DEFRAY THE COSTS OF PROVIDING THE SERVICES DESCRIBED IN THIS PART
3	20;
4	(B) COLLECTED AT RATES THAT ARE REASONABLY CALCULATED
5	BASED ON THE COSTS OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE ENTERPRISE;
6	AND
7	(C) NOT STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING, AS DEFINED IN SECTION
8	24-77-102(17), or state revenues, as defined in section $24-77-103.6$
9	(6)(c), AND DOES NOT COUNT AGAINST EITHER THE STATE FISCAL YEAR
10	Spending limit imposed by section 20 of article \boldsymbol{X} of the state
11	CONSTITUTION OR THE EXCESS STATE REVENUES CAP, AS DEFINED IN
12	SECTION $24-77-103.6$ (6)(b), so long as the enterprise qualifies as
13	An enterprise for purposes of section 20of article X of the state
14	CONSTITUTION; AND
15	(IV) NO OTHER ENTERPRISE CREATED SIMULTANEOUSLY OR
16	WITHIN THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS SERVES PRIMARILY THE SAME PURPOSE
17	AS THE ENTERPRISE, AND THE ENTERPRISE WILL GENERATE REVENUE FROM
18	FEES AND SURCHARGES OF LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS
19	TOTAL IN ITS FIRST FIVE FISCAL YEARS. ACCORDINGLY, THE CREATION OF
20	THE ENTERPRISE DOES NOT REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL PURSUANT TO
21	SECTION 24-77-108.
22	10-4-2002. Definitions. As used in this part 20, unless the
23	CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
24	(1) "BOARD" OR "ENTERPRISE BOARD" MEANS THE GOVERNING
25	BOARD OF THE STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES ENTERPRISE.
26	(2) "FAIR PLAN ASSOCIATION" MEANS THE FAIR ACCESS TO
27	INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS PLAN ASSOCIATION CREATED IN SECTION

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1	10-4-1804.
2	(3) "FEE" MEANS THE FEE THAT THE ENTERPRISE IMPOSES AND
3	COLLECTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 10-4-2003 (4).
4	(4) "Fund" means the strengthen Colorado homes
5	ENTERPRISE FUND CREATED IN SECTION 10-4-2003 (5).
6	(5) "Grant program" means the strengthen Colorado
7	HOMES ENTERPRISE GRANT PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 10-4-2004.
8	(6) "RESILIENT ROOF SYSTEM" MEANS A ROOF THAT HAS OBTAINED
9	A VERIFIED WIND AND HAIL CERTIFICATION FROM THE INSURANCE
10	INSTITUTE FOR BUSINESS AND HOME SAFETY "FORTIFIED" PROGRAM OR
11	A SIMILAR SCIENCE-BASED, VERIFIABLE CERTIFICATION, AS DETERMINED
12	BY THE COMMISSIONER BY RULE.
13	(7) "STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES ENTERPRISE" OR
14	"ENTERPRISE" MEANS THE STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES ENTERPRISE
15	CREATED IN SECTION 10-4-2003 (1).
16	10-4-2003. Strengthen Colorado homes enterprise - creation
17	- purpose - enterprise board - powers and duties - fee - fund - gifts,
18	grants, or donations - rules - reporting - repeal. (1) Enterprise -
19	creation - purpose. (a) (I) THE STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES
20	ENTERPRISE IS CREATED IN THE DIVISION. THE ENTERPRISE IS A TYPE ${f 1}$
21	ENTITY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-1-105, AND EXERCISES ITS POWERS
22	AND PERFORMS ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS UNDER THE DIVISION. THE
23	ENTERPRISE IS AND OPERATES AS A GOVERNMENT-OWNED BUSINESS
24	WITHIN THE DIVISION.
25	(II) THE BUSINESS PURPOSE OF THE ENTERPRISE IS TO IMPOSE AND
26	COLLECT A FEE CHARGED TO CERTAIN HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE

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1	FOLLOWING BUSINESS SERVICES TO POLICYHOLDERS PAYING THE FEE:
2	(A) AWARDING GRANTS TO INSURED HOMEOWNERS PURSUANT TO
3	SECTION $10\text{-}4\text{-}2004$ to defray the cost of retrofitting residential
4	PROPERTY TO RESIST LOSS BY PURCHASING AND INSTALLING RESILIENT
5	ROOF SYSTEMS USING QUALIFIED PROFESSIONALS OR RETROFITTING
6	RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TO RESIST LOSS DUE TO COMMON PERILS,
7	INCLUDING WINDSTORMS, WILDFIRE, AND OTHER EXTREME WEATHER
8	EVENTS;
9	(B) THROUGH THE INSTALLATION OF RESILIENT ROOF SYSTEMS ON
10	HOMES IN THE STATE, REDUCING THE FREQUENCY OF HAIL DAMAGE
11	CLAIMS;
12	(C) IMPROVING INSURANCE MARKET STABILITY THROUGHOUT THE
13	STATE; AND
14	(D) REDUCING POLICYHOLDER AND INSURER LOSSES BY
15	INCREASING THE NUMBER OF HOMES WITH RESILIENT ROOF SYSTEMS.
16	(b) THE ENTERPRISE CONSTITUTES AN ENTERPRISE FOR PURPOSES
17	of section 20 of article \boldsymbol{X} of the state constitution so long as it
18	RETAINS THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AND RECEIVES LESS
19	THAN TEN PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL REVENUES IN GRANTS FROM ALL
20	COLORADO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COMBINED. SO LONG AS IT
21	CONSTITUTES AN ENTERPRISE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1), THE
22	Enterprise is not subject to section 20 of article \boldsymbol{X} of the state
23	CONSTITUTION.
24	(2) Enterprise board. (a) The enterprise is governed by the
25	ENTERPRISE BOARD.
26	(b) The board consists of the following five voting
27	MEMBERS:

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1	(1) THE COMMISSIONER OR THE COMMISSIONER'S DESIGNEE; AND
2	(II) FOUR MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR TO SERVE
3	THREE-YEAR TERMS, INCLUDING:
4	(A) TWO MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT INSURANCE COMPANIES WITH
5	EXPERTISE IN HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE;
6	(B) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A COUNTY COMMISSIONER OR A COUNTY
7	EMPLOYEE WHO HAS EXPERTISE OR EXPERIENCE IN HOME HARDENING OR
8	OTHER MITIGATION ACTIVITIES; AND
9	(C) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS CONSUMERS.
10	(c) OF THE FIRST MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE BOARD PURSUANT
11	TO SUBSECTION (2)(b)(II) OF THIS SECTION, TWO MEMBERS SHALL SERVE
12	AN INITIAL TERM OF TWO YEARS.
13	(d)(I) The governor shall make the initial appointments to
14	THE BOARD NO LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 2026.
15	(II) This subsection (2)(d) is repealed, effective July 1, 2027.
16	(e) THE COMMISSIONER OR THE COMMISSIONER'S DESIGNEE IS THE
17	CHAIR OF THE BOARD.
18	(f) MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION BUT
19	MUST BE REIMBURSED FROM MONEY IN THE FUND FOR ACTUAL AND
20	NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES
21	PURSUANT TO THIS PART 20.
22	(g) THE BOARD SHALL CONDUCT THE ENTERPRISE'S BUSINESS AS
23	REQUIRED BY STATE LAW, INCLUDING IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN
24	MEETING REQUIREMENTS OF PART 4 OF ARTICLE 6 OF TITLE 24 AND THE
25	OPEN RECORD REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE 24.
26	(3) Powers and duties. (a) THE ENTERPRISE'S PRIMARY POWERS
27	AND DUTIES ARE TO:

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1	(1) IMPOSE AND COLLECT THE FEE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
2	(4) OF THIS SECTION;
3	(II) AWARD GRANTS FROM MONEY IN THE FUND IN ACCORDANCE
4	WITH THE GRANT PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN SECTION
5	10-4-2004;
6	(III) ISSUE REVENUE BONDS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE
7	ENTERPRISE, SECURED BY REVENUE OF THE ENTERPRISE;
8	(IV) INVEST THE REVENUE FROM THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF
9	REVENUE BONDS AND THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF THE FEE. IN
10	INVESTING THE REVENUE, THE ENTERPRISE MAY:
11	(A) INVEST THE REVENUE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE LIMITATIONS
12	SET FORTH IN SECTION 24-36-103, 24-75-601.1, OR 24-75-603; AND
13	(B) ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH PRIVATE PROFESSIONAL FUND
14	MANAGERS TO PROVIDE EXPERTISE, TECHNICAL SUPPORT, AND ADVICE ON
15	INVESTMENT MARKET CONDITIONS. IN SEEKING BIDS FOR SUCH
16	CONTRACTS, THE ENTERPRISE SHALL EMPLOY STANDARD PUBLIC BIDDING
17	PRACTICES, INCLUDING THE USE OF REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION,
18	REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS, OR ANY OTHER STANDARD VENDOR SELECTION
19	PRACTICES DETERMINED BY THE ENTERPRISE TO BE BEST SUITED TO
20	SELECTING AN APPROPRIATE PRIVATE PROFESSIONAL FUND MANAGER.
21	(V) PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE ENTERPRISE;
22	(VI) ADOPT, AMEND, OR REPEAL RULES OR POLICIES FOR THE
23	REGULATION OF THE ENTERPRISE'S AFFAIRS AND THE CONDUCT OF THE
24	ENTERPRISE'S BUSINESS CONSISTENT WITH THIS PART 20;
25	(VII) ENGAGE THE SERVICES OF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ENTITIES,
26	CONTRACTORS, OR CONSULTANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL
27	ASSISTANCE AND TO PROVIDE ADVICE AND OTHER SERVICES DELATED TO

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1	CONDUCTING THE AFFAIRS OF THE ENTERPRISE, WITHOUT REGARD TO THE
2	"Procurement Code", articles 101 to 112 of title 24. In
3	CONDUCTING ITS AFFAIRS, THE ENTERPRISE SHALL:
4	(A) ENGAGE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR LEGAL
5	SERVICES; AND
6	(B) ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS WITH THE DIVISION
7	AT FAIR MARKET RATES FOR OFFICE SPACE AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF
8	FOR THE ENTERPRISE; AND
9	(VIII) PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
10	PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7) OF THIS SECTION CONCERNING THE
11	ADMINISTRATION OF THE ENTERPRISE AND THE GRANT PROGRAM AND POST
12	THE REPORT ON THE ENTERPRISE'S PUBLIC-FACING WEBSITE.
13	(b) THE ENTERPRISE MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GRANTS OR
14	OTHER MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND GIFTS, GRANTS, OR
15	DONATIONS FROM OTHER PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SOURCES TO SUPPORT AND
16	ENHANCE ENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES; EXCEPT THAT THE ENTERPRISE SHALL
17	NOT ACCEPT GRANTS FROM THE STATE OR FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
18	UNLESS THE COMBINED TOTAL OF ALL GRANTS FROM SUCH SOURCES IS
19	UNDER TEN PERCENT OF THE ENTERPRISE'S ANNUAL REVENUE.
20	(4) Fee - rules. (a) Beginning in the 2026 Calendar year on
21	OR BEFORE A DATE DETERMINED BY THE ENTERPRISE, AND ANNUALLY
22	EACH CALENDAR YEAR THEREAFTER ON OR BEFORE THE SAME DATE, THE
23	ENTERPRISE SHALL IMPOSE A FEE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION $(4)(c)$ OF THIS
24	SECTION ON EACH POLICYHOLDER OF A HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE POLICY
25	ISSUED IN THE ADMITTED MARKET COVERING PROPERTY LOCATED IN OR
26	RISKS IN THE STATE ON A PER-POLICY BASIS AND ON EACH POLICYHOLDER
27	OF THE FAIR PLAN ASSOCIATION ON A PER-POLICY BASIS; EXCEPT THAT

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1	THE ENTERPRISE SHALL NOT IMPOSE A FEE ON POLICYHOLDERS THAT HAVE
2	A RESILIENT ROOF SYSTEM.
3	(b) THE ENTERPRISE SHALL CREDIT THE FEES COLLECTED TO THE
4	FUND. A FEE COLLECTED BY THE ENTERPRISE IS EXCLUDED FROM THE
5	STATE'S FISCAL YEAR SPENDING.
6	(c) (I) The amount of the fee is an amount equal to
7	ONE-HALF PERCENT ON THE PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL PREMIUMS COLLECTED
8	BY EACH INSURER IN THE ADMITTED MARKET AND BY THE FAIR PLAN
9	ASSOCIATION IN THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR ON
10	HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE POLICIES ISSUED IN THE STATE ON ANY HOME
11	THAT DOES NOT HAVE A RESILIENT ROOF SYSTEM.
12	(II) THE ENTERPRISE MAY LOWER THE FEE OR CEASE COLLECTING
13	THE FEE IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR TO ENSURE THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF
14	FEE REVENUE DOES NOT EXCEED ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS OVER
15	THE FIRST FIVE FISCAL YEARS OF THE ENTERPRISE'S EXISTENCE.
16	(III) THE FAIR PLAN ASSOCIATION AND EACH INSURER SHALL
17	COLLECT THE FEE FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE POLICYHOLDERS, PAY THE FEE
18	TO THE ENTERPRISE, AND LIST THE FEE AS AN ITEMIZED CHARGE ON THEIR
19	RESPECTIVE INSURANCE POLICY BILLING STATEMENTS.
20	(IV) THE FEE IS NOT A PREMIUM FOR ANY PURPOSE, INCLUDING THE
21	COMPUTATION OF THE GROSS PREMIUM TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION
22	10-3-209 OR AN INSURANCE PRODUCER'S COMMISSION.
23	(d) THE ENTERPRISE MAY ANNUALLY REQUEST FROM INSURERS
24	AND THE FAIR PLAN ASSOCIATION INFORMATION ABOUT POLICIES AND
25	CONTRACTS AS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE THIS PART 20
26	AND MAY REQUEST THAT THE DIVISION IMPOSE, AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING,
27	A CIVIL FINE OR PENALTY OF NOT MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY

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1	PERCENT OF THE FEE DUE TO THE ENTERPRISE FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS
2	PART 20 . The division shall credit the fine to the fund.
3	(e) THE ENTERPRISE SHALL ADOPT ANY RULES NECESSARY FOR THE
4	IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF THE FEE.
5	(5) Fund. (a) The strengthen Colorado homes enterprise
6	FUND IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY.
7	(b) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:
8	(I) FEES IMPOSED AND COLLECTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
9	(4) OF THIS SECTION;
10	(II) Grants or other money received from the federal
11	GOVERNMENT OR GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC
12	OR PRIVATE SOURCES TO SUPPORT AND ENHANCE ENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES;
13	(III) FINES FOR FAILURE TO COLLECT AND FORWARD THE
14	ENTERPRISE FEE IMPOSED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION;
15	(IV) ANY MONEY FROM BONDS ISSUED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
16	(3)(a)(III) OF THIS SECTION; AND
17	$(V) \ Anymoney \ that \ the \ general \ assembly \ may \ appropriate$
18	OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND.
19	(c) SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, MONEY IN THE FUND
20	MAY BE USED BY THE ENTERPRISE FOR THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THIS
21	PART $\overline{20}$ and to pay the enterprise's reasonable and necessary
22	ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATING EXPENSES.
23	(d) The state treasurer shall credit all interest and
24	INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE
25	FUND TO THE FUND.
26	(6) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are
27	REASONABLE AND NECESSARY FOR ADMINISTRATION AND

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1	IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ENTERPRISE AND THE GRANT PROGRAM.
2	(7) Reporting. (a) Notwithstanding section 24-1-136
3	(11)(a)(I), BEGINNING JULY 1, 2027, AND EACH JULY 1 THEREAFTER, THE
4	ENTERPRISE SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE COMMITTEES OF REFERENCE
5	OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO WHICH THE DEPARTMENT IS ASSIGNED
6	PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-7-203 CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION AND
7	IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ENTERPRISE AND THE GRANT PROGRAM.
8	(b) THE ANNUAL REPORT MUST INCLUDE:
9	(I) THE AMOUNT OF FEES COLLECTED BY INSURERS AND THE FAIR
10	PLAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE UNOBLIGATED BALANCE OF THE FUND;
11	(II) THE NUMBER OF GRANT APPLICATIONS AND THE AMOUNT OF
12	GRANTS AWARDED;
13	(III) THE AREAS OF THE STATE WHERE GRANT RECIPIENTS RESIDE;
14	AND
15	(IV) ANY OTHER INFORMATION RELEVANT TO THE SUCCESS OF THE
16	ENTERPRISE AND THE GRANT PROGRAM.
17	10-4-2004. Strengthen Colorado homes enterprise grant
18	program - application - eligibility criteria - award of grants - rules.
19	(1) THERE IS CREATED IN THE ENTERPRISE THE STRENGTHEN COLORADO
20	HOMES ENTERPRISE GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO COLORADO
21	HOMEOWNERS TO RETROFIT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TO RESIST LOSS DUE
22	TO COMMON PERILS, INCLUDING HAIL, WINDSTORMS, WILDFIRE, AND
23	OTHER EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS.
24	(2) (a) Subject to available fee revenue, the enterprise
25	BOARD SHALL AWARD GRANTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION, FROM
26	THE FUND. THE BOARD MAY ESTABLISH PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR
27	THE AWARD OF GRANTS IF THERE IS INSUFFICIENT MONEY IN THE FUND TO

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1	AWARD GRANTS TO ALL ELIGIBLE HOMEOWNER APPLICANTS.
2	(b) THE BOARD MAY CONTRACT WITH A THIRD-PARTY VENDOR TO
3	ADMINISTER THE GRANT PROGRAM.
4	(3) IN ADDITION TO ANY GRANT PROGRAM CRITERIA ESTABLISHED
5	BY THE BOARD BY RULE, A HOMEOWNER AWARDED A GRANT SHALL, AS
6	APPLICABLE:
7	(a) HAVE AN INSURABLE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN
8	COLORADO THAT IS COVERED BY A HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE POLICY OR
9	A POLICY ISSUED BY THE FAIR PLAN ASSOCIATION;
10	(b) OBTAIN ALL PERMITS REQUIRED BY LAW FOR CONSTRUCTION;
11	(c) COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE BUILDING CODES;
12	(d) ARRANGE AND PAY FOR INSPECTIONS REQUIRED BY LAW AND
13	THE TERMS OF THE GRANT PROGRAM;
14	(e) CONSTRUCT A ROOF THAT MEETS THE STANDARDS OF THE
15	Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety or similar
16	STANDARDS, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD BY RULE; AND
17	(f) SELECT A CONTRACTOR LICENSED IN THE STATE WHO IS A
18	MEMBER OF THE COLORADO ROOFING ASSOCIATION OR AN EQUIVALENT
19	QUALIFYING BODY THAT MAINTAINS STANDARDS FOR LICENSING,
20	INSURANCE, AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT.
21	(4) THE BOARD MAY PERFORM AUDITS TO VERIFY:
22	(a) THE ACCURACY OF THE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN AN
23	APPLICATION; AND
24	(b) THAT THE APPLICANT MEETS ALL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA.
25	(5) A HOMEOWNER SHALL NOT USE MONEY THAT IS AWARDED AS
26	A GRANT TO PAY FOR GENERAL ROOF MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR, BUT MAY
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1	NECESSITATED BY DAMAGE FROM WIND, HAIL, WILDFIRE, OR OTHER
2	EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS OR FOR PROACTIVE RETROFITTING
3	NECESSITATED BY OR DESIGNED TO PREVENT SUCH DAMAGE.
4	(6) (a) The enterprise board shall adopt rules for the
5	ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GRANT PROGRAM,
6	INCLUDING THE STANDARDS FOR A RESILIENT ROOF SYSTEM, THE CRITERIA
7	USED TO DETERMINE WHETHER AN APPLICANT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A GRANT
8	UNDER THIS SECTION, AND THE AMOUNT AND TIMING OF THE GRANT
9	AWARD. IN ADOPTING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GRANTS, THE
10	BOARD MAY TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION APPLICANT INCOME, WHETHER AN
11	APPLICANT LIVES IN A LOCATION THAT, BASED ON HISTORICAL DATA, HAS
12	A HIGHER SUSCEPTIBILITY TO EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS, THE NUMBER
13	OF APPLICANTS, AND ANY OTHER CRITERIA THE BOARD DETERMINES IS
14	APPROPRIATE TO MEET THE PURPOSE OF THE ENTERPRISE AND THE MONEY
15	AVAILABLE FOR GRANTS.
16	(b) IN ADOPTING RESILIENT ROOF SYSTEM STANDARDS, THE BOARD
17	MAY PRIORITIZE THE USE OF MATERIALS PROVEN TO OFFER SUPERIOR
18	PROTECTIONS AGAINST EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS AND MAY INCENTIVIZE
19	REDUCED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.
20	(c) THE BOARD MAY ALSO ADOPT RULES TO ENCOURAGE
21	CONTRACTORS TO COMPLETE SPECIALIZED TRAINING IN THE INSTALLATION
22	OF IMPACT-RESISTANT AND FIRE-RESISTANT ROOFING SYSTEMS.
23	(7) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION CREATES:
24	(a) An entitlement for a homeowner to receive grant
25	MONEY TO INSPECT OR RETROFIT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY; OR
26	(b) AN OBLIGATION FOR THE STATE TO APPROPRIATE MONEY TO
27	INSPECT OR RETROFIT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY.

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1	10-4-2005. Severability. If ANY PROVISION OF THIS PART 20 OR
2	THE APPLICATION THEREOF TO ANY PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE IS HELD
3	INVALID, SUCH INVALIDITY DOES NOT AFFECT OTHER PROVISIONS OR
4	APPLICATIONS OF THIS PART $\overline{20}$ THAT CAN BE GIVEN EFFECT WITHOUT THE
5	INVALID PROVISION OR APPLICATION, AND TO THIS END THE PROVISIONS OF
6	THIS PART 20 ARE DECLARED TO BE SEVERABLE.
7	10-4-2006. Repeal of part - subject to review. This part 20 is
8	REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2035. BEFORE THE REPEAL, THE
9	ENTERPRISE AND THE GRANT PROGRAM ARE SCHEDULED FOR REVIEW IN
10	ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-34-104.
11	PART 21
12	WILDFIRE CATASTROPHE REINSURANCE ENTERPRISE
13	10-4-2101. Legislative declaration. (1) THE GENERAL
14	ASSEMBLY:
15	(a) FINDS AND DETERMINES THAT:
16	(I) INCREASED GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS AND RAPIDLY RISING
17	TEMPERATURES ARE CHANGING THE CLIMATE IN WAYS THAT THREATEN
18	COLORADO'S ECONOMY, THE HEALTH OF ITS RESIDENTS, AND ITS NATURAL
19	LANDSCAPE;
20	(II) THE CHANGING CLIMATE IS ALREADY IMPACTING COLORADO'S
21	ENVIRONMENT, WITH DROUGHT, HEAT WAVES, HIGH WINDSTORMS,
22	WILDFIRES, AND OTHER EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS INCREASING IN SIZE
23	AND SEVERITY IN RECENT YEARS;
24	(III) THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THESE EXTREME WEATHER
25	EVENTS ON COLORADO AND ITS RESIDENTS ARE SIGNIFICANT, ESPECIALLY
26	THE IMPACTS FROM WILDFIRES;
27	(IV) COLORADO PROPERTY OWNERS ARE FACED WITH CHALLENGES

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1	IN FINDING INSURANCE COVERAGE AND IN PAYING INCREASING INSURANCE
2	PREMIUMS, UNDERMINING THE ABILITY OF COLORADANS TO PURCHASE,
3	SELL, AND OWN A HOME;
4	(V) ESTABLISHING A REINSURANCE PROGRAM TO COVER CERTAIN
5	HOMEOWNER LOSSES CAUSED BY WILDFIRES WILL DECREASE LOSSES TO
6	INSURERS, PROVIDE MORE PREDICTABILITY FOR INSURERS, AND
7	ENCOURAGE INSURER COMPETITION AND PARTICIPATION IN THE
8	HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE MARKET;
9	(VI) ROBUST PARTICIPATION BY INSURERS IN THE HOMEOWNER'S
10	INSURANCE MARKET IS NECESSARY TO ENSURE AFFORDABLE
11	HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE COVERAGE THROUGHOUT THE STATE TO ALL
12	COLORADANS, INCLUDING THOSE IN AREAS OF THE STATE AT HIGH RISK
13	FOR WILDFIRES; AND
14	(VII) ACCORDINGLY, IT IS APPROPRIATE TO CREATE A
15	REINSURANCE PROGRAM TO MITIGATE CATASTROPHIC LOSSES TO INSURERS
16	FROM STATE OR FEDERALLY DECLARED WILDFIRE-RELATED DISASTERS
17	AND, IN EXCHANGE FOR THAT SERVICE, TO PROVIDE MONEY FOR THE
18	REINSURANCE PROGRAM BY ISSUING REVENUE BONDS AND IMPOSING A
19	FEE ON HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE POLICYHOLDERS; AND
20	(b) DECLARES THAT:
21	(I) THE INSURER FEE IS REASONABLY RELATED TO THE OVERALL
22	COST OF THE SERVICE PROVIDED IN THIS PART 21 AND IS IMPOSED ON
23	INSURERS IN THE STATE THAT WILL BENEFIT FROM OR USE THE SERVICE
24	PROVIDED BY THE WILDFIRE CATASTROPHE REINSURANCE ENTERPRISE;
25	(II) BY PROVIDING THE BENEFITS AND SERVICES SPECIFIED IN THIS
26	PART 21, THE ENTERPRISE ENGAGES IN ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED IN THE
27	PURSUIT OF A BENEFIT, GAIN, OR LIVELIHOOD AND THEREFORE OPERATES

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1	AS A BUSINESS;
2	(III) CONSISTENT WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE COLORADO
3	SUPREME COURT IN NICHOLL V. E-470 PUBLIC HIGHWAY AUTHORITY, 896
4	P.2d 859 (Colo. 1995), that the power to impose taxes is
5	INCONSISTENT WITH ENTERPRISE STATUS UNDER SECTION $20\mathrm{of}$ ARTICLE
6	X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONCLUDES
7	THAT THE REVENUE COLLECTED BY THE ENTERPRISE IS GENERATED BY
8	FEES, NOT TAXES, BECAUSE THE MONEY CREDITED TO THE ENTERPRISE IS:
9	(A) FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF ALLOWING THE ENTERPRISE TO
10	DEFRAY THE COSTS OF PROVIDING THE SERVICES DESCRIBED IN THIS PART
11	21;
12	(B) COLLECTED AT RATES THAT ARE REASONABLY CALCULATED
13	BASED ON THE COSTS OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE ENTERPRISE;
14	AND
15	(C) NOT STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING, AS DEFINED IN SECTION
16	24-77-102(17), or state revenues, as defined in section 24-77-103.6
17	(6)(c), AND DOES NOT COUNT AGAINST EITHER THE STATE FISCAL YEAR
18	SPENDING LIMIT IMPOSED BY SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE
19	CONSTITUTION OR THE EXCESS STATE REVENUES CAP, AS DEFINED IN
20	SECTION 24-77-103.6 (6)(b), SO LONG AS THE ENTERPRISE QUALIFIES AS
21	AN ENTERPRISE FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION $20\mathrm{OF}$ ARTICLE X OF THE STATE
22	CONSTITUTION; AND
23	(IV) NO OTHER ENTERPRISE CREATED SIMULTANEOUSLY OR
24	WITHIN THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS SERVES PRIMARILY THE SAME PURPOSE
25	AS THE ENTERPRISE, AND THE ENTERPRISE WILL GENERATE REVENUE FROM
26	FEES AND SURCHARGES OF LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS
27	TOTAL IN ITS FIRST FIVE FISCAL YEARS. ACCORDINGLY, THE CREATION OF

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1	THE ENTERPRISE DOES NOT REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL PURSUANT TO
2	SECTION 24-77-108.
3	10-4-2102. Definitions. AS USED IN THIS PART 21, UNLESS THE
4	CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
5	
6	(1) "ELIGIBLE INSURER" MEANS AN INSURER IN THE ADMITTED
7	MARKET THAT:
8	(a) OFFERS HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN
9	THE STATE;
10	(b) INCURS CLAIMS COSTS AS A RESULT OF A STATE OR FEDERALLY
11	DECLARED WILDFIRE-RELATED DISASTER;
12	(c) WRITES POLICIES FOR A PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF RISK IN
13	AREAS AT HIGHEST RISK OF WILDFIRES IN THE STATE, AS DETERMINED BY
14	THE COMMISSIONER; AND
15	(d) HAS NOTIFIED THE COMMISSIONER, IN WRITING, OF THE
16	INSURER'S INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ENTERPRISE.
17	(2) "Enterprise" means the wildfire catastrophe
18	REINSURANCE ENTERPRISE CREATED IN SECTION 10-4-2103 (1).
19	(3) "Enterprise Board" or "Board" means the governing
20	BOARD OF THE ENTERPRISE CREATED IN SECTION 10-4-2103 (2).
21	(4) "Fund" means the wildfire catastrophe reinsurance
22	ENTERPRISE FUND CREATED IN SECTION 10-4-2103 (6).
23	(5) "Insurer fee" means a fee imposed by the enterprise
24	PURSUANT TO SECTION 10-4-2103 (4).
25	(6) "REINSURANCE PAYMENT" MEANS A PAYMENT TO AN ELIGIBLE
26	INSURER THROUGH THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM.
7	(7) "REINGLID ANCE DROCD AM" MEANS THE WILDEIDE CATASTRODHE

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1	REINSURANCE PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 10-4-2104.
2	(8) "REVENUE BOND" MEANS A BOND, NOTE, OR OTHER SECURITY
3	EVIDENCING AN OBLIGATION AND ISSUED BY THE ENTERPRISE PURSUANT
4	TO SECTION 10-4-2103.
5	(9) "WILDFIRE PREPARED PROPERTY" MEANS PROPERTY THAT HAS
6	OBTAINED A VERIFIED WILDFIRE CERTIFICATION FROM THE INSURANCE
7	INSTITUTE FOR BUSINESS AND HOME SAFETY "WILDFIRE PREPARED"
8	PROGRAM OR A SIMILAR SCIENCE-BASED, VERIFIABLE CERTIFICATION.
9	10-4-2103. Wildfire catastrophe reinsurance enterprise -
10	creation - purpose - board - powers and duties - insurer fee - advisory
11	committee - fund - gifts, grants, or donations - rules - reporting -
12	repeal. (1) Enterprise - creation - purpose. (a) THE WILDFIRE
13	CATASTROPHE REINSURANCE ENTERPRISE IS CREATED IN THE DIVISION.
14	THE ENTERPRISE IS A TYPE 1 ENTITY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-1-105,
15	AND EXERCISES ITS POWERS AND PERFORMS ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS
16	UNDER THE DIVISION. THE ENTERPRISE IS AND OPERATES AS A
17	GOVERNMENT-OWNED BUSINESS WITHIN THE DIVISION.
18	(b) THE BUSINESS PURPOSE OF THE ENTERPRISE IS TO:
19	$(I)\ Provide stability in the Homeowner's in surance market$
20	BY IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM FOR
21	THE BENEFIT OF INSURERS TO COVER A PORTION OF INSURER LOSSES
22	RESULTING FROM A STATE OR FEDERALLY DECLARED WILDFIRE-RELATED
23	DISASTER;
24	(II) PROVIDE MONEY FOR THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM BY
25	IMPOSING AND COLLECTING AN INSURER FEE ON INSURERS OFFERING
26	HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE STATE, SELLING
27	REVENUE BONDS, AND INVESTING THE REVENUE FROM THE FEES AND

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1	BONDS TO PROVIDE MONEY FOR THE REINSURANCE;
2	(III) INCENTIVIZE THE OFFER OF HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE
3	COVERAGE FOR PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE, WHICH IS EXPECTED
4	TO INCREASE COMPETITION AMONG INSURERS AND MAKE INSURANCE MORE
5	AFFORDABLE TO PURCHASE, RESULTING IN A REDUCTION IN THE
6	CONCENTRATION OF RISK TO INSURERS IN AREAS OF THE STATE AT HIGHEST
7	RISK OF INSURER LOSSES DUE TO WILDFIRES; AND
8	(IV) ENHANCE INSURERS' CUSTOMER RETENTION BY ADDRESSING
9	CHALLENGES TO THE AFFORDABILITY AND AVAILABILITY OF HOUSING IN
10	THE STATE AND REDUCE THE OVERALL RISK FOR INSURERS OFFERING
11	HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE.
12	(c) THE ENTERPRISE CONSTITUTES AN ENTERPRISE FOR PURPOSES
13	of section 20of article X of the state constitution so long as it
14	RETAINS THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AND RECEIVES LESS
15	THAN TEN PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL REVENUES IN GRANTS FROM ALL
16	COLORADO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COMBINED. SO LONG AS IT
17	CONSTITUTES AN ENTERPRISE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1), THE
18	ENTERPRISE IS NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 20 of article \boldsymbol{X} of the state
19	CONSTITUTION.
20	(2) Enterprise board. (a) The enterprise is governed by the
21	ENTERPRISE BOARD.
22	(b) The board consists of the following five voting
23	MEMBERS:
24	(I) THE COMMISSIONER OR THE COMMISSIONER'S DESIGNEE; AND
25	(II) FOUR MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR TO SERVE
26	THREE-YEAR TERMS, INCLUDING:
27	(A) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS AN INSURANCE COMPANY AND

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1	HAS EXPERTISE IN UNDERWRITING AND PRICING HOMEOWNER'S
2	INSURANCE;
3	(B) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS AN INSURANCE COMPANY AND
4	HAS EXPERTISE IN FINANCING AND INVESTMENTS;
5	(C) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A CONSUMER; AND
6	(D) ONE MEMBER WHO WHO IS A COUNTY COMMISSIONER OR A
7	COUNTY EMPLOYEE WHO HAS RELEVANT EXPERTISE OR EXPERIENCE.
8	(c) OF THE FIRST MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE BOARD PURSUANT
9	TO SUBSECTION (2)(b)(II) OF THIS SECTION, TWO MEMBERS SHALL SERVE
10	AN INITIAL TERM OF TWO YEARS.
11	(d) The commissioner or the commissioner's designee is the
12	CHAIR OF THE BOARD.
13	(e)(I) The governor shall make initial appointments to the
14	BOARD NO LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 2026.
15	(II) This subsection (2)(e) is repealed, effective July $1,2027$.
16	(f) MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION BUT
17	MUST BE REIMBURSED FROM MONEY IN THE FUND FOR ACTUAL AND
18	NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES
19	PURSUANT TO THIS PART 21.
20	(g) THE BOARD SHALL CONDUCT THE ENTERPRISE'S BUSINESS AS
21	REQUIRED BY STATE LAW, INCLUDING IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN
22	MEETING REQUIREMENTS OF PART 4 OF ARTICLE 6 OF TITLE 24 AND THE
23	OPEN RECORD REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE 24.
24	(3) Powers and duties. (a) AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, THE
25	ENTERPRISE SHALL ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES THAT:
26	(I) SEEK TO ADDRESS THE AFFORDABILITY CHALLENGES FACED BY
27	COLORADANS IN PURCHASING HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE;

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1	(II) ENHANCE COMPETITION IN THE HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE
2	MARKET THROUGHOUT THE STATE;
3	(III) INCENTIVIZE INSURERS TO OFFER HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE
4	COVERAGE IN AREAS OF THE STATE AT HIGH RISK FOR DAMAGE OR LOSS
5	DUE TO WILDFIRES;
6	(IV) Ensure insurers are offering coverage throughout
7	THE STATE; AND
8	(V) Ensure insurers are properly administering claims
9	ASSOCIATED WITH STATE OR FEDERALLY DECLARED WILDFIRE-RELATED
10	DISASTERS FOR WHICH THE ENTERPRISE MAKES REINSURANCE PAYMENTS
11	PURSUANT TO SECTION 10-4-2104.
12	(b) IN FURTHERANCE OF ITS BUSINESS PURPOSE, THE ENTERPRISE'S
13	PRIMARY POWERS AND DUTIES ARE TO:
14	
15	(I) ISSUE REVENUE BONDS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE ENTERPRISE,
16	SECURED BY REVENUE OF THE ENTERPRISE;
17	(II) IMPOSE AND COLLECT THE INSURER FEE PURSUANT TO
18	SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION AND TO REQUIRE REPORTING FROM
19	INSURERS;
20	(III) INVEST THE REVENUE FROM THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE
21	BONDS AND THE INSURER FEE. IN INVESTING THE REVENUE, THE
22	ENTERPRISE MAY:
23	(A) INVEST THE REVENUE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE LIMITATIONS
24	SET FORTH IN SECTION 24-36-103, 24-75-601.1, OR 24-75-603; AND
25	(B) ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH PRIVATE PROFESSIONAL FUND
26	MANAGERS TO PROVIDE EXPERTISE, TECHNICAL SUPPORT, AND ADVICE ON
27	INVESTMENT MARKET CONDITIONS. IN SEEKING BIDS FOR SLICH

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1	CONTRACTS, THE ENTERPRISE SHALL EMPLOY STANDARD PUBLIC BIDDING
2	PRACTICES, INCLUDING THE USE OF REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION,
3	REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS, OR ANY OTHER STANDARD VENDOR SELECTION
4	PRACTICES DETERMINED BY THE ENTERPRISE TO BE BEST SUITED TO
5	SELECTING AN APPROPRIATE PRIVATE PROFESSIONAL FUND MANAGER.
6	(IV) PURCHASE REINSURANCE FROM THE PRIVATE MARKET;
7	(V) Make reinsurance payments to eligible insurers in
8	ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 10-4-2104;
9	(VI) PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE ENTERPRISE;
10	(VII) ADOPT, AMEND, OR REPEAL RULES OR POLICIES FOR THE
11	REGULATION OF THE ENTERPRISE'S AFFAIRS AND THE CONDUCT OF THE
12	ENTERPRISE'S BUSINESS CONSISTENT WITH THIS PART 21;
13	(VIII) ENGAGE THE SERVICES OF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ENTITIES,
14	CONTRACTORS, OR CONSULTANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL
15	ASSISTANCE AND TO PROVIDE ADVICE AND OTHER SERVICES RELATED TO
16	CONDUCTING THE AFFAIRS OF THE ENTERPRISE, WITHOUT REGARD TO THE
17	"Procurement Code", articles 101 to 112 of title 24. In
18	CONDUCTING ITS AFFAIRS, THE ENTERPRISE SHALL:
19	(A) ENGAGE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR LEGAL
20	SERVICES; AND
21	(B) ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS WITH THE DIVISION
22	AT FAIR MARKET RATES FOR OFFICE SPACE AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF
23	FOR THE ENTERPRISE; AND
24	(IX) PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
25	PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION CONCERNING THE
26	ADMINISTRATION OF THE ENTERPRISE AND THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM
27	AND POST THE REPORT ON THE ENTERPRISE'S PUBLIC-FACING WEBSITE.

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1	(c) The enterprise shall not engage in the business of
2	REINSURANCE BY SELLING REINSURANCE THROUGH THE COLLECTION OF
3	PREMIUMS FROM INSURERS.
4	(d) THE ENTERPRISE MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GRANTS OR
5	OTHER MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND GIFTS, GRANTS, OR
6	DONATIONS FROM OTHER PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SOURCES TO SUPPORT AND
7	ENHANCE ENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES; EXCEPT THAT THE ENTERPRISE SHALL
8	NOT ACCEPT GRANTS FROM THE STATE OR FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
9	UNLESS THE COMBINED TOTAL OF ALL GRANTS FROM SUCH SOURCES IS
10	UNDER TEN PERCENT OF THE ENTERPRISE'S ANNUAL REVENUE.
11	(4) Fee - rules. (a) Beginning in the 2026 Calendar year on
12	OR BEFORE A DATE DETERMINED BY THE ENTERPRISE, AND ANNUALLY
13	EACH CALENDAR YEAR THEREAFTER ON OR BEFORE THE SAME DATE, THE
14	ENTERPRISE SHALL IMPOSE A FEE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4)(b) OF THIS
15	SECTION ON A PER-POLICY BASIS ON EACH POLICYHOLDER OF A
16	HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE POLICY ISSUED IN THE ADMITTED MARKET
17	COVERING PROPERTY LOCATED IN OR RISKS IN THE STATE; EXCEPT THAT
18	THE ENTERPRISE SHALL NOT IMPOSE A FEE ON POLICYHOLDERS THAT HAVE
19	WILDFIRE PREPARED PROPERTY, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD BY RULE.
20	(b) THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE IS AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO ONE-HALF
21	PERCENT ON THE PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL PREMIUMS COLLECTED BY EACH
22	INSURER IN THE ADMITTED MARKET IN THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING
23	CALENDAR YEAR ON HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE POLICIES ISSUED IN THE
24	STATE.
25	(c) EACH INSURER SHALL COLLECT THE FEE FROM ITS
26	POLICYHOLDERS, PAY THE FEE TO THE ENTERPRISE, AND LIST THE FEE AS
27	AN ITEMIZED CHARGE ON ITS INSURANCE POLICY BILLING STATEMENTS.

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1	(d) THE FEE IS NOT A PREMIUM FOR ANY PURPOSE, INCLUDING THE
2	COMPUTATION OF THE GROSS PREMIUM TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION
3	10-3-209 OR AN INSURANCE PRODUCER'S COMMISSION.
4	(e) THE ENTERPRISE SHALL ADOPT ANY RULES NECESSARY FOR THE
5	IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF THE FEE.
6	(5) Advisory committee. The Board may establish an
7	ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF UP TO FIVE INDIVIDUALS WITH
8	EXPERTISE IN FINANCING AND BONDING MECHANISMS AND INVESTMENTS
9	TO ADVISE THE BOARD ON ITS ISSUANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF
10	REVENUE BONDS AND THE FINANCING OF THE ENTERPRISE AND
11	REINSURANCE PROGRAM.
12	(6) Fund. (a) The wildfire catastrophe reinsurance
13	ENTERPRISE FUND IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY.
14	(b) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:
15	(I) THE INSURER FEE IMPOSED ON HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE
16	POLICYHOLDERS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION;
17	(II) REVENUE FROM REVENUE BONDS ISSUED BY THE
18	ENTERPRISE;
19	(III) MONEY FROM INVESTMENTS OF FEES COLLECTED AND
20	REVENUE BOND PURCHASE PAYMENTS;
21	(IV) GRANTS OR OTHER MONEY RECEIVED FROM THE FEDERAL
22	GOVERNMENT OR GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM OTHER
23	PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SOURCES TO SUPPORT AND ENHANCE ENTERPRISE
24	ACTIVITIES; AND
25	(V) Any money that the general assembly may appropriate
26	OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND.
27	(c) MONEY IN THE FUND IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE

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2	PART 21, INCLUDING FOR REINSURANCE PAYMENTS MADE UNDER THE
3	REINSURANCE PROGRAM AND OTHER ALLOWABLE PURPOSES UNDER THIS
4	PART 21.
5	(d) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL INTEREST AND
6	INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE
7	FUND TO THE FUND.
8	(e) THE ENTERPRISE SHALL CREDIT THE INSURER FEE COLLECTED
9	TO THE FUND. A FEE COLLECTED BY THE ENTERPRISE IS EXCLUDED FROM
10	THE STATE'S FISCAL YEAR SPENDING.
11	(f) The enterprise may lower the insurer fee or cease
12	COLLECTING THE FEE IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR TO ENSURE THAT THE TOTAL
13	AMOUNT OF FEE REVENUE DOES NOT EXCEED ONE HUNDRED MILLION
14	DOLLARS OVER THE FIRST FIVE FISCAL YEARS OF THE ENTERPRISE'S
15	EXISTENCE.
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15	EXISTENCE. (7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are
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15 16 17	(7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are
15 16 17 18	(7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are reasonable and necessary for the implementation and
15 16 17 18 19	(7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are reasonable and necessary for the implementation and administration of the enterprise, including rules relating to the
15 16 17 18 19 20	(7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are reasonable and necessary for the implementation and administration of the enterprise, including rules relating to the insurer fee, the issuance of revenue bonds, and reinsurance
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are reasonable and necessary for the implementation and administration of the enterprise, including rules relating to the insurer fee, the issuance of revenue bonds, and reinsurance payments made pursuant to the reinsurance program.
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	(7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are reasonable and necessary for the implementation and administration of the enterprise, including rules relating to the insurer fee, the issuance of revenue bonds, and reinsurance payments made pursuant to the reinsurance program. (8) Reporting. (a) Notwithstanding section 24-1-136
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	(7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are reasonable and necessary for the implementation and administration of the enterprise, including rules relating to the insurer fee, the issuance of revenue bonds, and reinsurance payments made pursuant to the reinsurance program. (8) Reporting. (a) Notwithstanding section 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), beginning July 1, 2027, and each July 1 thereafter, the
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	(7) Rules. The enterprise board shall adopt rules that are reasonable and necessary for the implementation and administration of the enterprise, including rules relating to the insurer fee, the issuance of revenue bonds, and reinsurance payments made pursuant to the reinsurance program. (8) Reporting. (a) Notwithstanding section 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), beginning July 1, 2027, and each July 1 thereafter, the enterprise shall submit a report to the committees of reference

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1	(b) THE ANNUAL REPORT MUST INCLUDE:
2	(I) THE AMOUNT COLLECTED THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF
3	REVENUE BONDS AND THROUGH THE IMPOSITION OF THE INSURER FEE, IF
4	IMPOSED, MONEY EARNED THROUGH INVESTMENTS, AND THE
5	UNOBLIGATED BALANCE OF THE FUND;
6	(II) THE EFFECT OF THE ENTERPRISE ON THE AVAILABILITY AND
7	AFFORDABILITY OF HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE IN THE STATE; AND
8	(III) ANY OTHER INFORMATION RELEVANT TO THE SUCCESS OF THE
9	ENTERPRISE AND THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM.
10	10-4-2104. Reinsurance program - creation - operation -
11	payment parameters - calculation of reinsurance payments - eligible
12	insurer requests - rules - definition. (1) There is created in the
13	ENTERPRISE THE WILDFIRE CATASTROPHE REINSURANCE PROGRAM TO
14	PROVIDE REINSURANCE PAYMENTS TO ELIGIBLE INSURERS. THE
15	OBJECTIVES OF THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM ARE TO:
16	(a) Address the challenges faced by Coloradans in
17	AFFORDING HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE;
18	(b) Enhance competition in the homeowner's insurance
19	MARKET THROUGHOUT THE STATE;
20	(c) Incentivize insurers to offer homeowner's insurance
21	COVERAGE IN AREAS OF THE STATE AT HIGH RISK FOR DAMAGE OR LOSS
22	DUE TO WILDFIRES;
23	(d) Ensure insurers are offering coverage throughout the
24	STATE; AND
25	(e) Ensure insurers are properly administering claims
26	ASSOCIATED WITH STATE OR FEDERALLY DECLARED WILDFIRE-RELATED
27	DISASTERS FOR WHICH THE ENTERPRISE MAKES REINSURANCE PAYMENTS

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1	UNDER THIS SECTION.
2	(2) TO FURTHER THE BUSINESS PURPOSE OF THE ENTERPRISE, THE
3	ENTERPRISE BOARD IS AUTHORIZED TO:
4	(a) TAKE REASONABLE ACTIONS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO THIS
5	SECTION TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND
6	ADMINISTRATION OF THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE THE
7	PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION;
8	(b) ENTER INTO CONTRACTS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS AND
9	PURPOSES OF THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM;
10	(c) ESTABLISH ADMINISTRATIVE AND ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES
11	FOR THE OPERATION OF THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM;
12	(d) Establish procedures and standards for eligible
13	INSURERS TO SUBMIT CLAIMS TO THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM;
14	(e) Establish or adjust, by rule, the eligibility
15	REQUIREMENTS AND PAYMENT PARAMETERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH
16	SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION;
17	(f) TAKE LEGAL ACTION AS NECESSARY TO AVOID THE PAYMENT
18	OF IMPROPER CLAIMS TO INSURERS; AND
19	(g) Subject to Section 10-4-2103 (1)(c), APPLY FOR, ACCEPT,
20	AND ADMINISTER ANY FEDERAL OR STATE MONEY THAT MAY BECOME
21	AVAILABLE TO THE ENTERPRISE RELATING TO A STATE OR FEDERALLY
22	DECLARED WILDFIRE-RELATED DISASTER.
23	(3) For purposes of determining insurer eligibility for
24	REINSURANCE PAYMENTS UNDER THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM, THE BOARD
25	BY RULE SHALL:
26	(a) SET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND PAYMENT
27	PARAMETERS FOR THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE REDUCTIONS

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2	(b) DETERMINE DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR REINSURANCE
3	PAYMENTS MADE UNDER THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM AND COLLECT OR
4	ACCESS DATA FROM EACH ELIGIBLE INSURER;
5	(c) Upon the occurrence of a state or federally declared
6	WILDFIRE-RELATED DISASTER, REQUIRE EACH ELIGIBLE INSURER TO
7	REPORT TO THE ENTERPRISE ITS CLAIMS COSTS AS A RESULT OF THE
8	WILDFIRE-RELATED DISASTER; AND
9	(d) IN EXCHANGE FOR ACCESS TO THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM TO
10	MITIGATE AN INSURER'S RISK, REQUIRE AN ELIGIBLE INSURER TO:
11	(I) Provide insurance coverage based upon the eligible
12	INSURER'S PERCENTAGE OF MARKET SHARE IN THE STATE TO AREAS
13	THROUGHOUT THE STATE AT HIGHEST RISK FOR WILDFIRES; AND
14	(II) REDUCE PREMIUMS IN AREAS IN THE STATE AT HIGH RISK FOR
15	WILDFIRES TO ACCOUNT FOR REINSURANCE PAYMENTS THAT WOULD BE
16	PROVIDED THROUGH THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM.
17	(4) (a) IN RESPONSE TO A STATE OR FEDERALLY DECLARED
18	WILDFIRE-RELATED DISASTER, THE ENTERPRISE BOARD SHALL CALCULATE
19	EACH REINSURANCE PAYMENT BASED ON AN ELIGIBLE INSURER'S
20	INCURRED CLAIMS COSTS FOR THE STATE OR FEDERALLY DECLARED
21	WILDFIRE-RELATED DISASTER.
22	(b) AN ELIGIBLE INSURER MUST MAKE REQUESTS FOR
23	REINSURANCE PAYMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
24	ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD BY RULE AND COMPLY WITH INSURER DATA
25	REQUIREMENTS.
26	(5) (a) The board shall notify eligible insurers of
27	REINSURANCE PAYMENTS TO BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION

1 IN CLAIMS COSTS IN GEOGRAPHIC RATING AREAS IN THE STATE;

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1	(4) OF THIS SECTION AND SHALL DISBURSE REINSURANCE PAYMENTS TO AN
2	ELIGIBLE INSURER.
3	(b) An eligible insurer may request that the board
4	RECONSIDER A DECISION ON THE INSURER'S REQUEST FOR REINSURANCE
5	PAYMENTS WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER NOTICE OF THE COMMISSIONER'S
6	DECISION. A FINAL ACTION OF THE BOARD UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (5) IS
7	SUBJECT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-4-106.
8	(6) If there is insufficient money in the fund to cover
9	INSURERS' TOTAL LOSSES FROM A STATE OR FEDERALLY DECLARED
10	WILDFIRE-RELATED DISASTER, THE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH PROCEDURES
11	TO PAY INSURERS ON A PRO RATA BASIS BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF
12	AVAILABLE MONEY IN THE FUND.
13	10-4-2105. Severability. If any provision of this part 21 or
14	THE APPLICATION THEREOF TO ANY PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE IS HELD
15	INVALID, SUCH INVALIDITY DOES NOT AFFECT OTHER PROVISIONS OR
16	APPLICATIONS OF THIS PART 21 THAT CAN BE GIVEN EFFECT WITHOUT THE
17	INVALID PROVISION OR APPLICATION, AND TO THIS END THE PROVISIONS OF
18	THIS PART 21 ARE DECLARED TO BE SEVERABLE.
19	10-4-2106. Repeal of part - subject to review. This Part 21 is
20	REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2035. BEFORE THE REPEAL, THE
21	ENTERPRISE AND REINSURANCE PROGRAM ARE SCHEDULED FOR REVIEW IN
22	ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-34-104.
23	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, add
24	(36)(a)(VII) and (36)(a)(VIII) as follows:
25	24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies
26	and functions for repeal, continuation, or reestablishment - legislative
27	declaration - repeal. (36) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both

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1	are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2035:
2	(VII) THE STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES ENTERPRISE AND THE
3	STRENGTHEN COLORADO HOMES ENTERPRISE GRANT PROGRAM CREATED
4	IN PART 20 OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 10;
5	(VIII) THE WILDFIRE CATASTROPHE REINSURANCE ENTERPRISE
6	AND THE WILDFIRE CATASTROPHE REINSURANCE PROGRAM CREATED IN
7	PART 21 OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 10.
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9	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-4-405, add (1.3)
10	as follows:
11	10-4-405. Filing of rating information - certain coverages.
12	(1.3) BEGINNING WITH RATE FILINGS SUBMITTED ON AND AFTER JANUARY
13	1, 2026, AN ELIGIBLE INSURER, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 10-4-2102,
14	OFFERING HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE
15	STATE SHALL INCLUDE IN ITS FILING THE FOLLOWING TWO SETS OF RATES:
16	(a) ONE SET OF RATES THAT SHOWS THE RATES AFTER TAKING INTO
17	CONSIDERATION THE REINSURANCE PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION
18	10-4-2104; AND
19	(b) One set of rates that shows the rates as if the
20	REINSURANCE PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 10-4-2104 HAD NOT TAKEN
21	EFFECT.
22	SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-4-110.8, amend
23	(6)(b) as follows:
24	10-4-110.8. Homeowner's insurance - prohibited and required
25	practices - estimates of replacement value - additional living expense
26	coverage - copies of policies - personal property contents coverage -
27	inventory of personal property - requirements concerning total loss

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1	scenarios resulting from wildfire disasters - definitions - rules.
2	(6) (b) (I) All homeowner's insurance replacement-cost policies for a
3	dwelling must include additional living expense coverage. This coverage
4	must be available for a period of at least twelve months and is subject to
5	other policy provisions. Insurers shall offer policyholders the opportunity
6	to purchase a total of twenty-four months of ALE coverage and give an
7	applicant an explanation of the purpose, terms, and cost of this coverage.
8	This paragraph (b) SUBSECTION (6)(b) does not apply to any A
9	homeowner's insurance policy that already includes at least twenty-four
10	months of ALE coverage as a standard provision.
11	(II) IN ADDITION TO OFFERING A REPLACEMENT-COST POLICY IN
12	ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION $(6)(b)(I)$ OF THIS SECTION, AN INSURER
13	MAY OFFER A REPLACEMENT-COST POLICY THAT HAS A REASONABLE
14	COVERAGE LIMIT OR PERCENTAGE CAP FOR ADDITIONAL LIVING EXPENSES
15	IF THE INSURER PROVIDES A PREMIUM DECREASE FOR THE COVERAGE LIMIT
16	OR PERCENTAGE CAP THAT IS APPROVED BY THE DIVISION.
17	SECTION 5. Appropriation. (1) For the 2025-26 state fiscal
18	year, \$7,410,037 is appropriated to the department of regulatory agencies.
19	This appropriation is from the strengthen Colorado homes enterprise fund
20	created in section 10-4-2003 (5)(a), C.R.S. To implement this act, the
21	department may use this appropriation as follows:
22	(a) \$7,356,541 for use by the division of insurance for the
23	strengthen Colorado homes enterprise, which amount is based on an
24	assumption that the division will require an additional 0.8 FTE; and
25	(b) \$53,496 for the purchase of legal services.
26	(2) For the 2025-26 state fiscal year, \$53,496 is appropriated to
27	the department of law. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds

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received from the department of regulatory agencies under subsection (1)(b) of this section and is based on an assumption that the department of law will require an additional 0.2 FTE. To implement this act, the department of law may use this appropriation to provide legal services for the department of regulatory agencies.

(3) For the 2025-26 state fiscal year, \$53,496 is appropriated to the department of law. This appropriation is from the legal services cash fund created in section 24-31-108 (4), C.R.S., from revenue received from the department of regulatory agencies that is continuously appropriated to the division of insurance from the wildfire catastrophe reinsurance enterprise fund created in section 10-4-2103 (6)(a), C.R.S. The appropriation to the department of law is based on an assumption that the department will require an additional 0.2 FTE. To implement this act, the department of law may use this appropriation to provide legal services for the department of regulatory agencies.

SECTION 6. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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