

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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May 4, 2018

Chairman of Committee

Date

Committee on Appropriations.

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

HB18-1351 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, before line 2 insert:

2       **"SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general  
3 assembly hereby finds and declares that:

4       (a) The old Spanish trail was an east to west trail that connected  
5 Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Los Angeles, California, from 1829 to 1848.  
6 The trail utilized an existing network of trails formed and used by  
7 American Indian tribes in the modern-day New Mexico, Colorado, and  
8 Utah areas.

9       (b) The trail, which skirted around the Grand Canyon, crossed  
10 large sand dunes, and led into harsh deserts, was mainly used as an  
11 extensive trade route. Sheep and high quality woolen goods from New  
12 Mexico were traded for a surplus supply of horses and mules raised in  
13 California.

14       (c) The trail was also used by travelers in search of wealth and  
15 fertile lands. Travel along the old Spanish trail allowed for increased  
16 cultural interaction in the region. Spanish missions used the trail to help  
17 strengthen their influence.

18       (d) Among these travelers, traders, and missionaries were also  
19 outlaws and raiders who captured the vulnerable and sold them into  
20 slavery. At that time, all ethnicities in the region participated in the forced  
21 labor market.

22       (e) The history of this region is rich and includes both negative  
23 and positive impacts that should not be forgotten or ignored, but should

1 be studied and understood.

2 (2) Now, therefore, it is the intent of the general assembly to  
3 recognize the complex history of the old Spanish trail and present the full  
4 history to the public for educational purposes.".

5 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

6 Page 2, line 13, strike "THE EXECUTIVE" and substitute "SUBJECT TO THE  
7 AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING FROM GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS, THE  
8 EXECUTIVE".

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