

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

SB23-092 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 5, strike line 5 and substitute:

2 "(B) REDUCE ENERGY COSTS IN AGRICULTURE;

3 (C) IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC RESILIENCE OF AGRICULTURAL
4 PRODUCERS;

5 (D) MINIMIZE NEGATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF
6 PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY PRODUCTION FACILITIES ON SOIL HEALTH, NATIVE
7 VEGETATION, STATE AND FEDERAL LISTED SPECIES, WILDLIFE MIGRATION
8 CORRIDORS, AND THE SPECIES, HABITATS, AND ECOSYSTEMS THAT ARE OF
9 THE GREATEST CONSERVATION NEED; AND".

10 Reletter succeeding sub-subparagraph accordingly.

11 Page 5, strike lines 26 and 27.

12 Page 6, strike lines 1 through 12 and substitute:

13 "(4) **Task force.** (a) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2023, THE
14 OFFICE SHALL CONVENE AN AGRIVOLTAICS TASK FORCE TO CONDUCT A
15 STUDY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT, THE COLORADO
16 ENERGY OFFICE CREATED IN SECTION 24-38.5-101 (1), AND THE DIVISION
17 OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
18 CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-104 (1) TO EVALUATE THE OPPORTUNITIES AND
19 CHALLENGES ASSOCIATED WITH AGRIVOLTAICS IN THE STATE, INCLUDING:

20 (I) THE TECHNICAL, OPERATIONAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, OR
21 FINANCIAL BARRIERS TO AN EXPANSION OF THE ADOPTION OF
22 AGRIVOLTAICS IN THE STATE; AND

23 (II) POTENTIAL STATE-LEVEL POLICIES AND PROGRAMS TO
24 MINIMIZE THE BARRIERS.

25 (b) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 15, 2024, THE TASK FORCE SHALL
26 PRESENT THE RESULTS OF THE STUDY, INCLUDING ANY
27 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATION, TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE
28 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AGRICULTURE, WATER, AND NATURAL
29 RESOURCES COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL
30 RESOURCES COMMITTEE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES."

31 Page 12, line 1, strike "(4)(a)," and substitute "(5)(a),".

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