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HOUSE BILL 10-1006

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING INCREASED FUNDING FOR THE DIVISION OF WATER**
102 **RESOURCES FROM THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE**
103 **SEVERANCE TAX TRUST FUND.**

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://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Water Resources Review Committee. Authorizes the expenditure of up to 5% of the moneys in tier 1 of the operational account of the severance tax trust fund for the division of water resources, and allows this increase to supplant moneys that would otherwise be made

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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available to the division from the general fund. Eliminates the tier 1 authorization for the division of wildlife to account for the increase.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** 39-29-109.3 (1) (e), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
3 amended, and the said 39-29-109.3 (1) is further amended BY THE
4 ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH, to read:

5 **39-29-109.3. Operational account of the severance tax trust**
6 **fund - repeal.** (1) For fiscal years commencing on and after July 1,
7 1997, the executive director of the department of natural resources shall
8 submit with the department's budget request for each fiscal year a list and
9 description of the programs the executive director recommends to be
10 funded from the operational account of the severance tax trust fund
11 created in section 39-29-109 (2) (b), referred to in this section as the
12 "operational account". The minerals, energy, and geology policy advisory
13 board established pursuant to section 34-20-104, C.R.S., shall review the
14 executive director's recommendation before submittal. The general
15 assembly may appropriate moneys from the total moneys available in the
16 operational account to fund recommended programs as follows:

17 ~~(e) For fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 2008, only, for~~
18 ~~programs within the division of wildlife that monitor, manage, or mitigate~~
19 ~~the impacts of mineral or mineral fuel production activities on wildlife in~~
20 ~~any region of the state in which production activity is occurring or, from~~
21 ~~any location in the state, research such impacts, up to five percent of the~~
22 ~~moneys in the operational account, which moneys shall not supplant~~
23 ~~moneys that would otherwise be made available for such programs;~~

24 (g) FOR FISCAL YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2010,
25 FOR PROGRAMS WITHIN THE DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES, UP TO FIVE

1 PERCENT OF THE MONEYS IN THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT.

2 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
3 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
4 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.