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HOUSE BILL 14-1024

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF THE CLARET CUP CACTUS AS THE

102 STATE CACTUS.

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 <u>http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.</u>)

The bill designates the kingcup cactus as the state cactus of the state of Colorado.

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

HOUSE Amended 2nd Reading January 30, 2014

1 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly 2 hereby finds and declares that: 3 (a) The *echinocereus triglochidiatus* cactus, more commonly 4 known as the claret cup cactus, is native to Colorado and is found in the state's varied habitats, from low, dry land to rocky slopes and mountain 5 6 woodlands; 7 (b) The claret cup cactus grows in elevations from four hundred 8 ninety feet to nine thousand eight hundred fifty feet; 9 (c) The claret cup cactus is considered one of the easiest varieties 10 of cactus to grow and is very popular in rock gardens; 11 (d) The claret cup cactus is widely cultivated for its beautiful 12 flowers: 13 (e) The primary pollinators of the flowers of the claret cup cactus 14 are hummingbirds because the long-tubed shape of the flowers can 15 accommodate the hummingbirds' long beaks and their whirring wings; 16 and 17 (f) The fruit of the claret cup cactus is edible. 18 (2) It is therefore the intent of the general assembly that the claret 19 cup cactus be added to the array of symbols that demonstrate our state 20 character and pride. 21 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 24-80-915 as 22 follows: 23 24-80-915. State cactus. The CLARET CUP CACTUS 24 (ECHINOCEREUS TRIGLOCHIDIATUS) IS HEREBY MADE AND DECLARED TO 25 BE THE STATE CACTUS OF THE STATE OF COLORADO. 26 **SECTION 3.** Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 27 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the

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ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 1 2 6, 2014, if adjournment sine die is on May 7, 2014); except that, if a 3 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 4 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 5 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect 6 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 7 November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 8 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.