

**Second Regular Session  
Seventy-fourth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**ENGROSSED**

*This Version Includes All Amendments Adopted  
on Second Reading in the House of Introduction*

LLS NO. 24-0772.01 Craig Harper x3481

**HOUSE BILL 24-1198**

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**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

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**House Committees**  
Appropriations

**Senate Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT**  
102      **OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.**

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**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>.)*

Supplemental appropriations are made to the department of regulatory agencies.

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

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.*  
*Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

HOUSE  
2nd Reading Unamended  
February 7, 2024

1           **SECTION 1. Appropriation to the department of regulatory**  
2           **agencies for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.** In Session Laws  
3           of Colorado 2023, section 2 of chapter 474, (SB 23-214), **amend** Part  
4           XIX as follows:

5           Section 2. **Appropriation.**

APPROPRIATION FROM

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

**PART XIX**

**DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES**

**(1) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

5	Personal Services	3,196,270	5,500		34,500 <sup>a</sup>	3,156,270 <sup>b</sup>	
6						(35.4 FTE)	
7	Health, Life, and Dental	6,900,303	282,177		6,138,171 <sup>c</sup>	371,861 <sup>b</sup>	108,094(I) <sup>d</sup>
8	Short-term Disability	70,461	2,279		62,976 <sup>c</sup>	4,160 <sup>b</sup>	1,046(I) <sup>d</sup>
9	S.B. 04-257 Amortization						
10	Equalization Disbursement	2,378,612	76,902		2,125,689 <sup>c</sup>	140,733 <sup>b</sup>	35,288(I) <sup>d</sup>
11	S.B. 06-235 Supplemental						
12	Amortization Equalization						
13	Disbursement	2,378,612	76,902		2,125,689 <sup>c</sup>	140,733 <sup>b</sup>	35,288(I) <sup>d</sup>
14	Salary Survey	2,575,125	82,778		2,295,553 <sup>c</sup>	158,821 <sup>b</sup>	37,973(I) <sup>d</sup>
15	PERA Direct Distribution	162,158	5,242		147,322 <sup>c</sup>	9,594 <sup>b</sup>	

APPROPRIATION FROM

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Temporary Employees						
2	Related to Authorized Leave	36,163		1,217	32,163 <sup>a</sup>	2,783 <sup>b</sup>	
3	Workers' Compensation	198,234		6,511	182,224 <sup>c</sup>	6,902 <sup>b</sup>	2,597(I) <sup>d</sup>
4	Operating Expenses	257,679		3,689	95,427 <sup>c</sup>	158,563 <sup>b</sup>	
5	Legal Services	14,796,015		227,542	14,351,627 <sup>c</sup>	124,080 <sup>b</sup>	92,766(I) <sup>d</sup>
6	Administrative Law Judge						
7	Services	336,998		15,226	321,772 <sup>c</sup>		
8	Payment to Risk						
9	Management and Property						
10	Funds	<del>322,015</del>		<del>10,839</del>	<del>295,292<sup>c</sup></del>	<del>11,059<sup>b</sup></del>	<del>4,825(I)<sup>d</sup></del>
11		695,301		23,404	637,600 <sup>c</sup>	23,879 <sup>b</sup>	10,418(I) <sup>d</sup>
12	Vehicle Lease Payments	412,563			412,563 <sup>c</sup>		
13	Information Technology						
14	Asset Maintenance	1,678,403			1,487,646 <sup>c</sup>	190,757 <sup>b</sup>	

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	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Hardware/Software						
2	Maintenance	590,939		800	331,537 <sup>c</sup>	258,602 <sup>b</sup>	
3	Leased Space	4,765,514	195,825		3,939,395 <sup>c</sup>	451,784 <sup>b</sup>	178,510(I) <sup>d</sup>
4	Payments to OIT	<del>6,250,988</del>	<del>273,885</del>		<del>5,886,653<sup>e</sup></del>	90,450 <sup>b</sup>	
5		6,593,593	288,891		6,214,252 <sup>c</sup>		
6	IT Accessibility	1,282,709			1,282,709 <sup>c</sup>		
7	CORE Operations	280,922	10,885		252,139 <sup>c</sup>	14,466 <sup>b</sup>	3,432(I) <sup>d</sup>
8	Consumer Outreach/ Education Program	205,000			205,000 <sup>f</sup>		
10		<u>49,075,683</u>					
11		49,791,574					
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1     <sup>a</sup> An estimated \$4,000 shall be from the Colorado Identity Theft and Financial Fraud Cash Fund created in Section 24-33.5-1707, C.R.S., an estimated \$3,500 shall be from the Department  
2     of State Cash Fund created in Section 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S., an estimated \$3,500 shall be from the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deafblind Cash Fund  
3     created in Section 26-21-107 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$3,500 shall be from the Private Occupational Schools Fund created in Section 23-64-122 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$3,500 shall  
4     be from the Uniform Consumer Credit Code Cash Fund created in Section 5-6-204 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$3,000 shall be from the Inspection and Consumer Services Cash Fund created  
5     in Section 35-1-106.5, C.R.S., an estimated \$2,500 shall be from the Workers' Compensation Cash Fund created in Section 8-44-112 (7)(a), C.R.S., an estimated \$2,500 shall be from  
6     the Broadband Administrative Fund created in Section 24-37.5-119 (4)(a), C.R.S., an estimated \$2,500 shall be from the Rural Alcohol and Substance Abuse Cash Fund created in Section  
7     27-80-117, C.R.S., an estimated \$1,500 shall be from the Veterans Assistance Grant Program Cash Fund created in Section 28-5-712 (3), C.R.S., an estimated \$1,500 shall be from the  
8     Evidential Breath-Testing Cash Fund created in Section 42-4-1301.1 (9)(a), C.R.S., an estimated \$1,500 shall be from the Underfunded Courthouse Facility Cash Fund created in Section  
9     13-1-304 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$1,500 shall be from the Harm Reduction Grant Program Cash Fund created in Section 25-20.5-1102 (1), C.R.S. and an estimated \$32,163 shall be  
10    from various sources of cash funds.

11    <sup>b</sup> These amounts shall be from departmental indirect cost recoveries or the Indirect Costs Excess Recovery Fund created in Section 24-75-1401 (2), C.R.S.

12    <sup>c</sup> These amounts shall be from various sources of cash funds.

13    <sup>d</sup> These amounts shall be from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the Health  
14    Information Counseling and Assistance Grant Program, and are included for informational purposes only.

15    <sup>e</sup> This amount shall be from various sources of cash funds.

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1    <sup>f</sup> f this amount, \$200,000 shall be from the Consumer Outreach and Education Cash Fund created in Section 24-34-108 (2), C.R.S., and \$5,000 shall be from the Moving Outreach Fund  
2    created in Section 40-10.1-509, C.R.S.

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4    **(2) DIVISION OF BANKING**

5    Personal Services	4,273,063				4,273,063 <sup>a</sup>		
6					(40.0 FTE)		
7    Operating Expenses	490,733				490,733 <sup>a</sup>		
8    Board Meeting Costs	23,500				23,500 <sup>a</sup>		
9    Indirect Cost Assessment	411,837				411,837 <sup>a</sup>		
10		5,199,133					

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12   <sup>a</sup> These amounts shall be from the Division of Banking Cash Fund created in Section 11-102-403, C.R.S.

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1	<b>(3) CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION</b>						
2	Personal Services	3,093,778		1,409,789		1,205,311 <sup>a</sup>	478,678(I) <sup>b</sup>
3		(37.0 FTE)					
4	Operating Expenses	120,386		77,210			43,176(I) <sup>b</sup>
5	Hearings Pursuant To						
6	Complaints	18,000		17,000			1,000(I) <sup>b</sup>
7	Commission Meeting Costs	12,374		5,174			7,200(I) <sup>b</sup>
8	Indirect Cost Assessment	74,354					74,354(I) <sup>b</sup>
9		<u>3,318,892</u>					

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<sup>a</sup> This amount shall be from statewide indirect cost recoveries or the Indirect Costs Excess Recovery Fund created in Section 24-75-1401 (2), C.R.S.

<sup>b</sup> These amounts shall be from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and are shown for informational purposes only.



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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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2	<b>(4) OFFICE OF THE UTILITY CONSUMER ADVOCATE</b>						
3	Personal Services	1,320,785			1,320,785 <sup>a</sup>		
4					(11.0 FTE)		
5	Operating Expenses	61,214			61,214 <sup>a</sup>		
6	Indirect Cost Assessment	113,255			113,255 <sup>a</sup>		
7		<u>1,495,254</u>					
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9	<sup>a</sup> These amounts shall be from the Public Utilities Commission Fixed Utility Fund created in Section 40-2-114 (1)(b)(II), C.R.S.						
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11	<b>(5) DIVISION OF FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>						
12	Personal Services	1,570,119			1,570,119 <sup>a</sup>		
13					(15.6 FTE)		
14	Operating Expenses	145,961			145,961 <sup>a</sup>		

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Indirect Cost Assessment	160,616			160,616 <sup>a</sup>		
2							1,876,696
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4	<sup>a</sup> These amounts shall be from the Division of Financial Services Cash Fund created in Section 11-40-106 (2), C.R.S.						
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6	<b>(6) DIVISION OF INSURANCE</b>						
7	Personal Services	10,740,549			10,715,364 <sup>a</sup>		25,185(I) <sup>c</sup>
8					(104.4 FTE)		
9	Operating Expenses	331,935			331,935 <sup>a</sup>		
10	Out-of-State Travel						
11	Expenses	50,000			50,000(I) <sup>b</sup>		
12	Senior Health Counseling						
13	Program	533,253					533,253(I) <sup>c</sup>
14							(2.0 FTE)

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Transfer to CAPCO						
2	Administration	13,500			13,500 <sup>a</sup>		
3	Colorado Reinsurance						
4	Program	1,015,122			1,015,122 <sup>d</sup>		
5					(4.0 FTE)		
6	Appropriation to the						
7	Reinsurance Program Cash						
8	Fund	10,000,000	10,000,000				
9	Indirect Cost Assessment	1,178,256			1,153,143 <sup>a</sup>		25,113(I) <sup>c</sup>
10		<u>23,862,615</u>					

12 <sup>a</sup> Of these amounts, an estimated \$12,189,700 shall be from the Division of Insurance Cash Fund created in Section 10-1-103 (3), C.R.S., and an estimated \$24,242 shall be from the  
13 Viatical Settlements Cash Fund created in Section 10-7-619, C.R.S.

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1   <sup>b</sup> This amount shall be from the Division of Insurance Cash Fund created in Section 10-1-103 (3), C.R.S. This amount is shown for informational purposes as it is continuously  
2 appropriated to the Department of Regulatory pursuant to Section 10-1-108 (9), C.R.S. This amount is from reimbursements from insurance companies for travel expenses and is shown  
3 for purposes of complying with the limitation on state fiscal year spending imposed by Section 20 of Article X of the State Constitution.

4   <sup>c</sup> These amounts shall be from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and are shown for informational purposes only.

5   <sup>d</sup> This amount shall be from the Reinsurance Program Cash Fund created in Section 10-16-1107 (1)(a), C.R.S.

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7   **(7) PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

8   Personal Services	13,310,234			13,310,234 <sup>a</sup>		
9				(122.5 FTE)		
10   Operating Expenses	711,825			711,825 <sup>a</sup>		
11   Expert Testimony	250,000			250,000 <sup>a</sup>		
12   Disabled Telephone Users						
13   Fund Payments	777,809			777,809(I) <sup>b</sup>		
14   Transfer to Reading Services						
15   for the Blind Cash Fund	610,000			610,000 <sup>a</sup>		

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Colorado Commission for						
2	the Deaf, Hard of Hearing,						
3	and Deafblind Cash Fund	2,308,535			2,308,535 <sup>a</sup>		
4	Talking Book Library	253,381			253,381 <sup>a</sup>		
5	Colorado Bureau of						
6	Investigation Background						
7	Checks Pass-through	104,377			104,377 <sup>a</sup>		
8	Highway-Rail Crossing						
9	Signalization Fund	244,800			244,800 <sup>c</sup>		
10	Colorado Electric						
11	Transmission Authority	500,000			500,000 <sup>a</sup>		
12	Indirect Cost Assessment	1,303,529			1,261,251 <sup>a</sup>		42,278(I) <sup>d</sup>
13		<hr/> 20,374,490					
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1     <sup>a</sup> Of these amounts, an estimated \$11,762,783 shall be from the Public Utilities Commission Fixed Utility Fund created in Section 40-2-114 (1)(b)(II), C.R.S., an estimated \$3,468,859  
2 shall be from the Colorado Telephone Users with Disabilities Fund created in Section 40-17-104 (1), C.R.S., an estimated \$2,334,843 shall be from the Public Utilities Commission Motor  
3 Carrier Fund created in Section 40-2-110.5 (6), C.R.S., an estimated \$1,019,227 shall be from the Telecommunications Utility Fund created in Section 40-2-114 (1)(b)(I), C.R.S., an  
4 estimated \$412,603 shall be from the Transportation Network Company Fund created in Section 40-10.1-607, C.R.S., an estimated \$223,831 shall be from the Colorado High Cost  
5 Administration Fund created in Section 40-15-208 (3)(a), C.R.S., an estimated \$84,076 shall be from the 911 Surcharge Trust Cash Fund created in Section 29-11-102.3 (3)(c)(I), C.R.S.,  
6 and an estimated \$3,381 shall be from various sources of cash funds.

7     <sup>b</sup> This amount shall be from the Colorado Telephone Users with Disabilities Fund created in Section 40-17-104 (1), C.R.S., and is shown for purposes of complying with Section 20 of  
8 Article X of the State Constitution. This money is continuously appropriated pursuant to Section 40-17-104 (1)(c), C.R.S., and is shown for informational purposes only.

9     <sup>c</sup> This amount shall be from the Highway-Rail Crossing Signalization Fund created in Section 40-29-116 (1), C.R.S.

10    <sup>d</sup> This amount shall be from the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration and is shown for informational purposes only.

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12    **(8) DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE**

13    Personal Services	4,222,536		4,222,536 <sup>a</sup>
14			(48.9 FTE)
15    Operating Expenses	198,627		198,627 <sup>a</sup>

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		TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	ITEM & SUBTOTAL						
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Commission Meeting Costs	36,332			36,332 <sup>a</sup>		
2	Hearings Pursuant to						
3	Complaint	4,000			4,000 <sup>a</sup>		
4	Mortgage Broker Consumer						
5	Protection	251,613			251,613 <sup>a</sup>		
6	Indirect Cost Assessment	503,471			503,471 <sup>a</sup>		
7		5,216,579					

<sup>a</sup> These amounts shall be from the Division of Real Estate Cash Fund created in Section 12-10-215 (2)(b), C.R.S.

**(9) DIVISION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS**

12	Personal Services	18,213,280
13		(222.6 FTE)
14	Operating Expenses	1,839,907

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	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Office of Expedited						
2	Settlement Program Costs	483,600					
3		(5.0 FTE)					
4	Hearings Pursuant to						
5	Complaint	307,075					
6	Payments to Department of						
7	Health Care Policy and						
8	Financing	14,652					
9	Indirect Cost Assessment	2,354,342					
10		23,212,856			22,608,416 <sup>a</sup>	593,451 <sup>b</sup>	10,989(I)

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12 <sup>a</sup> Of this amount, an estimated \$21,989,422 shall be from the Division of Professions and Occupations Cash Fund created in Section 12-20-105 (3), C.R.S., an estimated \$498,187 shall

13 be from the Prescription Drug Monitoring Fund created in Section 12-280-405 (1), C.R.S., and an estimated \$120,807 shall be from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund created in Section

14 39-28.8-501 (1), C.R.S.



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1     <sup>b</sup> Of this amount, \$324,041 shall be transferred from the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing from the Transfers to/from Other Departments, Transfer to Department of  
2     Regulatory Agencies for Nurse Aid Certification line item in the Executive Director's Office, and \$269,410 shall be transferred from the Department of Public Health and Environment  
3     from the Medicaid/Medicare Certification Program line item in the Health Facilities and Emergency Medical Services Division, Health Facilities Programs section.

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**(10) DIVISION OF SECURITIES**

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Personal Services	2,567,969				2,567,969 <sup>a</sup>		
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Operating Expenses	99,064				99,064 <sup>a</sup>		
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Hearings Pursuant to

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Complaint	19,594				19,594 <sup>a</sup>		
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Board Meeting Costs	4,500				4,500 <sup>a</sup>		
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Securities Fraud Prosecution	1,342,519				1,342,519 <sup>a</sup>		
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Indirect Cost Assessment	247,102				247,102 <sup>a</sup>		
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2 <sup>a</sup> These amounts shall be from the Division of Securities Cash Fund created in Section 11-51-707 (2), C.R.S.

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4 **(11) DIVISION OF CONSERVATION**

5 Conservation Easement

6 Program Costs	611,676				611,676 <sup>a</sup>		
7					(5.8 FTE)		

8 Indirect Cost Assessment	59,716				59,716 <sup>a</sup>		
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		671,392					
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11 <sup>a</sup> These amounts shall be from the Conservation Cash Fund created in Section 12-15-107, C.R.S.

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	<b>TOTALS PART XIX</b>						
2	<b>(REGULATORY</b>						
3	<b>AGENCIES)</b>						
		\$138,584,338	\$12,787,372		\$116,965,541 <sup>a</sup>	\$7,090,380	\$1,741,045 <sup>b</sup>
4		<u>\$139,300,229</u>	<u>\$12,814,943</u>		<u>\$117,635,448<sup>a</sup></u>	<u>\$7,103,200</u>	<u>\$1,746,638<sup>b</sup></u>

6 <sup>a</sup> Of this amount, \$827,809 contains an (I) notation.

7 <sup>b</sup> This amount contains an (I) notation.

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1           **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,  
2 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
3 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for  
4 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state  
5 institutions.