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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

#### 101 CONCERNING CIVIL FORFEITURE REFORM, AND, IN CONNECTION

102 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

#### **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://leg.colorado.gov</u>.)

The bill requires the executive director of the department of local affairs (department), after considering the input from specified interested parties, to establish a form for law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, and multijurisdictional task forces (seizing agencies) to use in submitting to the department biannual reports containing specified information on seizures through which the seizing agencies received proceeds from a



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forfeiture and the use of the proceeds. Based on the reports, the department is to post on its website a searchable database that includes the information contained in the biannual reports and a summary report of the information.

Seizing agencies are required to submit the biannual reports containing information known to the agency by specified dates; except that an agency need not include information if the disclosure of the information could endanger a person or disclose certain confidential information. The executive director of the department may issue civil penalties for failure to file or late filing of the reports.

The bill directs the executive director of the department to submit an annual report to the governor, the attorney general, and the judiciary committees of the general assembly on seizure and forfeiture activity in the state.

The bill prohibits seizing agencies from receiving forfeiture proceeds from the federal government unless the aggregate net equity value of the property and currency seized in the case is in excess of \$50,000 and the federal government commences a forfeiture proceeding that relates to a filed criminal case.

<sup>1</sup> Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal and reenact, 3 with amendments, 16-13-701 as follows: 4 16-13-701. Reports related to seizures and forfeitures -5 legislative declaration - definitions. (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS 6 THAT: 7 (a) UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL FORFEITURE LAWS AND SUBJECT 8 TO THE DUE PROCESS PROVISIONS PROVIDED IN BOTH STATE AND FEDERAL 9 LAW AS APPLICABLE, STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE 10 AUTHORIZED TO SEIZE MONEY AND OTHER PROPERTY AND TO USE 11 FORFEITURE PROCEEDS AS PERMITTED AND EXPRESSLY LIMITED BY BOTH 12 OPERATION OF STATE AND FEDERAL LAW AND APPLICABLE ASSET 13 FORFEITURE POLICIES AND GUIDELINES; 14 (b) IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF STATE LEGISLATORS TO MONITOR

SEIZURES BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, FORFEITURE LITIGATION BY
 PROSECUTORS, AND THEIR EXPENDITURES OF FORFEITED PROCEEDS WHEN
 SUCH MONEY IS RECEIVED BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR
 PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE; AND

5 (c) THIS SECTION PROVIDES LEGISLATORS AND THE PUBLIC WITH
6 THE INFORMATION NECESSARY FOR BASIC OVERSIGHT OF LAW
7 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND PROSECUTORS' OFFICES THAT SEIZE
8 PROPERTY, OBTAIN THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH SEIZURES THROUGH THE ASSET
9 FORFEITURE PROCESS, AND EXPEND THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH FORFEITURES
10 UNDER BOTH STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.

11 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE12 REQUIRES:

13 (a) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS
14 CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-1-125.

15 (b) "EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF16 THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS.

17 (c) "SEIZING AGENCY" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS DEFINED IN
18 SECTION 16-13-301 (2.7).

19 (3) This section applies to property seized under the20 Following:

21 (a) PART 3 OF THIS ARTICLE 13, ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE;

(b) PART 5 OF THIS ARTICLE 13, "COLORADO CONTRABAND
FORFEITURE ACT";

24 (c) PART 6 OF THIS ARTICLE 13, RECEIPT OF FEDERALLY FORFEITED
 25 PROPERTY; AND

26 (d) SECTIONS 18-17-105 AND 18-17-106 OF THE "COLORADO
27 ORGANIZED CRIME CONTROL ACT";

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1 (4) (a) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ESTABLISH, MAINTAIN, 2 AND AMEND AS NECESSARY AND POST ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE A 3 BIANNUAL REPORTING FORM FOR USE BY SEIZING AGENCIES TO REPORT THE 4 INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION. EACH 5 SEIZING AGENCY THAT RECEIVED ANY FORFEITURE PROCEEDS THROUGH 6 EITHER A STATE OR FEDERAL FORFEITURE PROCESS WITHIN THE REPORTING 7 PERIOD SHALL COMPLETE A FORM ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE FOR 8 THAT REPORTING PERIOD. IN CREATING THE FORM, THE EXECUTIVE 9 DIRECTOR SHALL CONSIDER THE INPUT FROM THE FOLLOWING: 10 (I) THE COLORADO DISTRICT ATTORNEYS' COUNCIL: 11 (II) A STATEWIDE ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE; 12 (III) A STATEWIDE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY SHERIFFS; 13 (IV) THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; AND 14 (V) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. 15 (b) IF A SEIZING AGENCY HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY FORFEITURE

16 PROCEEDS DURING A REPORTING PERIOD, IT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT
17 INDICATING THAT NO FORFEITURE PROCEEDS WERE RECEIVED.

18 (c) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2017, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
19 SHALL PROVIDE ACCESS TO THE UNIFORM REPORT FORM DEVELOPED
20 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION FOR SEIZING AGENCIES
21 TO FILE OR UPDATE INFORMATION AS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION.

(5) BASED UPON THE INFORMATION RECEIVED ON THE FORMS
SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION, THE
DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A SEARCHABLE, PUBLIC
ACCESS DATABASE THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING, IF KNOWN AT THE
TIME OF REPORTING:

27 (a) INFORMATION FROM EACH CASE IN WHICH AN AGENCY

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1 RECEIVED ANY FORFEITURE PROCEEDS SPECIFYING:

2 (I) THE NAME OF THE SEIZING AGENCY AND, IF SEIZED BY A 3 MULTIJURISDICTIONAL TASK FORCE, THE NAME OF THE LEAD AGENCY; 4 (II) THE DATE OF THE SEIZURE; 5 (III) THE PLACE OF THE SEIZURE, WHETHER A HOME, BUSINESS, OR 6 TRAFFIC STOP, AND, IF A TRAFFIC STOP ON AN INTERSTATE OR STATE 7 HIGHWAY, THE DIRECTION OF THE TRAFFIC FLOW, WHETHER EASTBOUND, 8 WESTBOUND, SOUTHBOUND, OR NORTHBOUND; 9 (IV) THE BASIS FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTACT; 10 (V) THE TYPE OF PROPERTY SEIZED: 11 (A) IF CURRENCY, THE AMOUNT OF THE CURRENCY; AND 12 (B) IF PROPERTY OTHER THAN CURRENCY, ANY MAKE, MODEL, OR 13 SERIAL NUMBER RELATED TO THE PROPERTY AND THE ESTIMATED NET 14 EQUITY OF THE PROPERTY; 15 (VI) WHETHER A STATE OR FEDERAL CRIMINAL CASE WAS FILED IN 16 RELATION TO THE SEIZURE AND, IF SO, THE COURT IN WHICH THE CASE WAS 17 FILED, THE CASE NUMBER AND CHARGES FILED, AND ANY DISPOSITION OF 18 THE CRIMINAL CASE; 19 (VII) IF FORFEITURE IS SOUGHT UNDER FEDERAL LAW, THE REASON 20 FOR THE FEDERAL TRANSFER, WHETHER ADOPTION, JOINT TASK FORCE, OR 21 OTHER: AND 22 (VIII) INFORMATION RELATING TO ANY FORFEITURE PROCEEDING 23 INCLUDING: 24 (A) THE COURT IN WHICH THE FORFEITURE CASE WAS FILED; 25 (B) THE FORFEITURE CASE NUMBER; 26 (C) IF ANY OWNER OR INTEREST OWNER FILED A COUNTERCLAIM; 27 (D) IF ANY OWNER WAS DETERMINED BY THE COURT TO BE AN 1 INNOCENT OWNER;

2 (E) THE DATE OF THE FORFEITURE ORDER; 3 (F) IF ANY ASSET WAS RETURNED IN WHOLE TO AN OWNER OR 4 INTEREST HOLDER, A DESCRIPTION OF THE ASSET AND THE DATE OF THE 5 RETURN; 6 (G) IF ANY PROPERTY WAS SOLD, THE PROCEEDS RECEIVED FROM 7 THE SALE: 8 (H) IF ANY PROPERTY WAS RETAINED BY A STATE OR LOCAL 9 AGENCY, THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT WAS USED; 10 (I) THE DATE OF ANY DISPOSITION OF THE PROPERTY; 11 (J) IF THE PROPERTY WAS DESTROYED BY A STATE OR LOCAL 12 AGENCY, THE DATE OF DESTRUCTION; 13 (K) IF AN ORDER FOR DESTRUCTION WAS ISSUED BY THE FEDERAL 14 GOVERNMENT; AND 15 (L) THE AMOUNT OF ANY PROCEEDS RECEIVED BY THE REPORTING 16 AGENCY; AND 17 (b) INFORMATION FROM EACH SEIZING AGENCY ON THE USE OF 18 FORFEITURE PROCEEDS REPORTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION INCLUDING: 19 (I) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY EXPENDED IN EACH OF THE 20 FOLLOWING CATEGORIES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD: 21 (A) DRUG ABUSE, CRIME, AND GANG PREVENTION PROGRAMS; 22 (B) VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAMS; 23 (C) INFORMANT FEES AND CONTROLLED BUYS ON CLOSED CASES; 24 SALARIES, OVERTIME, AND EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, AS (D) 25 PERMITTED BY LAW; 26 (E) PROFESSIONAL OUTSIDE SERVICES, INCLUDING AUDITING, 27 COURT REPORTING, EXPERT WITNESS AND OUTSIDE COUNSEL FEES, AND

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- 1 MEMBERSHIP FEES PAID TO TRADE ASSOCIATIONS;
- 2 (F) TRAVEL, MEALS, ENTERTAINMENT, TRAINING CONFERENCES,
  3 AND CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINARS;
- 4 (G) OPERATING EXPENSES, INCLUDING OFFICE SUPPLIES, POSTAGE,
  5 AND ADVERTISING;
- 6 (H) CAPITAL EXPENDITURES, INCLUDING VEHICLES, FIREARMS,
  7 EQUIPMENT, COMPUTERS, AND FURNITURE; AND
- 8 (I) OTHER EXPENDITURES OF FORFEITURE PROCEEDS; AND
- 9 (II) THE TOTAL VALUE OF SEIZED AND FORFEITED PROPERTY HELD
  10 BY THE SEIZING AGENCY AT THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD.
- 11 (6) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ALSO POST ON THE WEBSITE A
  12 SUMMARY OF INFORMATION RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF
  13 THIS SECTION THAT, TO THE EXTENT AVAILABLE FOR THE REPORTING
  14 PERIOD, DESCRIBES:
- 15 (a) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF FORFEITURE ACTIONS INITIATED OR
  16 ADMINISTERED BY EACH SEIZING AGENCY;
- 17 (b) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF FEDERAL JUDICIAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE
  18 FORFEITURE ACTIONS INITIATED BY A MULTIJURISDICTIONAL TASK FORCE
  19 INCLUDING A FEDERAL AGENCY OR REFERRED BY A SEIZING AGENCY AND
  20 ACCEPTED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR FORFEITURE UNDER
  21 FEDERAL LAW;
- (c) THE TYPE OF ASSETS SEIZED AND THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE NET
   PROCEEDS RECEIVED IN ALL REPORTED FORFEITURES; AND
- 24 (d) THE RECIPIENTS OF ANY FORFEITURE PROCEEDS INCLUDING THE
  25 AMOUNT RECEIVED BY EACH AND THE DATE OF RECEIPT.
- 26 (7) (a) EACH SEIZING AGENCY, INCLUDING ANY DISTRICT
  27 ATTORNEY OR OTHER PROSECUTOR, THAT RECEIVES OR EXPENDS
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1 FORFEITURE-RELATED MONEY OR PROPERTY SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT WITH 2 ALL THE INFORMATION REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS 3 SECTION THAT IS KNOWN TO THE AGENCY AT THE TIME OF THE REPORT ON 4 THE FORM DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION. 5 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2017, FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD BETWEEN JULY 6 1 AND DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR, THE SEIZING AGENCY SHALL FILE THE 7 REPORT BY JUNE 1 OF THE FOLLOWING CALENDAR YEAR. FOR THE 8 REPORTING PERIOD BETWEEN JANUARY 1 AND JUNE 30, THE SEIZING 9 AGENCY SHALL FILE THE REPORT BY DECEMBER 1 OF THAT CALENDAR 10 YEAR. IF A SEIZING AGENCY HAS PREVIOUSLY FILED A REPORT. BUT FOR 11 THE REPORTING PERIOD IT HAS NOT RECEIVED OR EXPENDED ANY 12 FORFEITURE PROCEEDS, IT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT INDICATING THAT 13 FACT.

14 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, IF THE 15 REPORTING OF ANY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS 16 SECTION IS LIKELY TO DISCLOSE THE IDENTITY OF A CONFIDENTIAL 17 SOURCE; DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INVESTIGATIVE OR PROSECUTION 18 MATERIAL THAT COULD ENDANGER THE LIFE OR PHYSICAL SAFETY OF ANY 19 PERSON; DISCLOSE THE EXISTENCE OF A CONFIDENTIAL SURVEILLANCE OR 20 INVESTIGATION; OR DISCLOSE TECHNIQUES OR PROCEDURES FOR LAW 21 ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES, INVESTIGATION, OR PROSECUTIONS, THE 22 SEIZING AGENCY IS NOT REQUIRED TO INCLUDE SUCH INFORMATION IN THE 23 REPORT DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION. 24 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE FORM DEVELOPED 25 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION, A BOX FOR A SEIZING 26 AGENCY TO CHECK IF IT IS NOT DISCLOSING INFORMATION PURSUANT TO 27 THIS SUBSECTION (7)(b).

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(c) IF A SEIZING AGENCY FAILS TO FILE A REPORT REQUIRED BY
 SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS SECTION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE
 THE REPORT IS DUE, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND NOTICE OF THE
 FAILURE TO THE SEIZING AGENCY. IF THE REPORT:

5 (I) IS FILED WITHIN FORTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER THE NOTICE OF
6 FAILURE IS SENT, THE SEIZING AGENCY SHALL PAY A CIVIL FINE OF FIVE
7 HUNDRED DOLLARS; OR

8 (II) IS NOT FILED WITHIN FORTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER THE NOTICE OF 9 FAILURE IS SENT, THE SEIZING AGENCY SHALL PAY A CIVIL FINE OF THE 10 GREATER OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO FIFTY 11 PERCENT OF THE FORFEITURE PROCEEDS RECEIVED BY THE SEIZING 12 AGENCY DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD.

13 (d) IF THE DEPARTMENT PURSUES LEGAL ACTION TO ENFORCE THE
14 CIVIL FINES ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7)(c) OF THIS
15 SECTION AND THE DEPARTMENT PREVAILS IN THE ACTION, THE
16 DEPARTMENT IS ENTITLED TO ITS REASONABLE ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS
17 RELATED TO THE ACTION.

18 (8) (a) NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2019, AND EACH 19 DECEMBER 31 THEREAFTER, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SUBMIT A 20 REPORT SUMMARIZING SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE ACTIVITY IN THE STATE 21 FOR THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR TO THE GOVERNOR: THE ATTORNEY GENERAL: 22 AND THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF 23 REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES. THE REPORT MUST 24 ALSO BE POSTED ON THE DIVISION'S WEBSITE. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE: 25 (I) THE TYPE, APPROXIMATE VALUE, AND DISPOSITION OF ALL 26 PROPERTY SEIZED;

27 (II) THE AMOUNT OF ANY FORFEITURE PROCEEDS RECEIVED BY THE

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1 STATE AND ANY SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE; AND

2 (III) A CATEGORIZED ACCOUNTING OF ALL FORFEITURE PROCEEDS
3 EXPENDED BY THE STATE AND ANY SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE.

4 (b) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY INCLUDE IN THE REPORT
5 PREPARED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8)(a) OF THIS SECTION
6 RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE STATUTES, RULES, OR POLICIES TO
7 BETTER ENSURE THAT SEIZURES, FORFEITURES, AND EXPENDITURES ARE
8 DONE AND REPORTED IN A MANNER THAT IS FAIR TO CRIME VICTIMS,
9 INNOCENT PROPERTY OWNERS, SECURED INTEREST HOLDERS, CITIZENS,
10 LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, AND TAXPAYERS.

11 (c) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), THE REPORT
 12 REQUIRED IN THIS SUBSECTION (8) CONTINUES INDEFINITELY.

13 (9) (a) THE OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SHALL PREPARE AN 14 ANNUAL ACCOUNTING REPORT OF MONEY RECEIVED BY THE MANAGED 15 SERVICE ORGANIZATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 16-13-311 (3)(a)(VII)(B), 16 INCLUDING REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, BEGINNING AND ENDING 17 BALANCES, AND SERVICES PROVIDED. THE OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH 18 SHALL PROVIDE THIS REPORT TO THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES 19 COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN 20 SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY 21 SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES.

(b) PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), THE REPORT
REQUIRED IN THIS SUBSECTION (9) EXPIRES ON FEBRUARY 1, 2021.

24 (10) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY ADOPT POLICIES AND
25 PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

26 (11) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION IN ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE
27 24, INFORMATION, EXCEPT FOR INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION

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(7)(b) OF THIS SECTION, AND REPORTS PREPARED PURSUANT TO THIS
 SECTION ARE PUBLIC RECORDS AND SUBJECT TO INSPECTION PURSUANT TO
 PART 2 OR 3 OF ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE 24.

4 SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 16-13-306.5 as
5 follows:

6 16-13-306.5. Limitations on receipt of forfeiture payments 7 from federal agencies. (1) A SEIZING AGENCY OR PARTICIPANT IN ANY 8 JOINT TASK FORCE OR OTHER MULTIJURISDICTIONAL COLLABORATION 9 SHALL ACCEPT PAYMENT OR DISTRIBUTION FROM A FEDERAL AGENCY OF 10 ALL OR A PORTION OF ANY FORFEITURE PROCEEDS RESULTING FROM 11 ADOPTION OR A JOINT TASK FORCE OR OTHER MULTIJURISDICTIONAL 12 COLLABORATION ONLY IF THE AGGREGATE NET EQUITY VALUE OF THE 13 PROPERTY AND CURRENCY SEIZED IN A CASE IS IN EXCESS OF FIFTY 14 THOUSAND DOLLARS AND A FORFEITURE PROCEEDING IS COMMENCED BY 15 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND RELATES TO A FILED CRIMINAL CASE.

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17 (2) SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO
18 RESTRICT SEIZING AGENCIES FROM COLLABORATING WITH A FEDERAL
19 AGENCY TO SEIZE PROPERTY THAT THE SEIZING AGENCY HAS PROBABLE
20 CAUSE TO BELIEVE IS THE PROCEEDS OR INSTRUMENTS OF A CRIME
21 THROUGH AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL JOINT TASK FORCE.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 16-13-504.5 as
follows:

16-13-504.5. Limitations on receipt of forfeiture payments
from federal agencies. (1) A SEIZING AGENCY OR PARTICIPANT IN ANY
JOINT TASK FORCE OR OTHER MULTIJURISDICTIONAL COLLABORATION
SHALL ACCEPT PAYMENT OR DISTRIBUTION FROM A FEDERAL AGENCY OF

ALL OR A PORTION OF ANY FORFEITURE PROCEEDS RESULTING FROM
 ADOPTION OR A JOINT TASK FORCE OR OTHER MULTIJURISDICTIONAL
 COLLABORATION ONLY IF THE AGGREGATE NET EQUITY VALUE OF THE
 PROPERTY AND CURRENCY SEIZED IN A CASE IS IN EXCESS OF FIFTY
 THOUSAND DOLLARS AND A FORFEITURE PROCEEDING IS COMMENCED BY
 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND RELATES TO A FILED CRIMINAL CASE.

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8 (2) SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO
9 RESTRICT SEIZING AGENCIES FROM COLLABORATING WITH A FEDERAL
10 AGENCY TO SEIZE PROPERTY THAT THE SEIZING AGENCY HAS PROBABLE
11 CAUSE TO BELIEVE IS THE PROCEEDS OR INSTRUMENTS OF A CRIME
12 THROUGH AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL JOINT TASK FORCE.

# 13 SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 16-13-702, amend 14 (1) as follows:

15 16-13-702. Disposition of forfeited property. (1) No forfeited
property shall be used nor shall any forfeited proceeds be expended by
any seizing agency to whom section 16-13-701 (1) applies unless such
use or expenditure has been approved by a committee on disposition of
forfeited property which is created in subsection (2) of this section.

SECTION 5. Appropriation. (1) For the 2017-18 state fiscal year, \$84,451 is appropriated to the department of local affairs. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) \$24,814 for use by the division of local government for
personal services related to local government and community services,
which amount is based on an assumption that the division will require an
additional 0.5 FTE;

1	(b) \$10,398 for use by the division of local government for
2	operating expenses related to local government and community services;
3	and
4	(c) \$4,753 for the purchase of legal services; and
5	(d) \$44,486 for the purchase of information technology services.
6	(2) For the 2017-18 state fiscal year, \$4,753 is appropriated to the
7	department of law. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds
8	received from the department of local affairs under subsection (1)(c) of
9	this section. To implement this act, the department of law may use this
10	appropriation to provide legal services for the department of local affairs.
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12	(3) For the 2017-18 state fiscal year, \$44,486 is appropriated to
13	the office of the governor for use by the office of information technology.
14	This appropriation is from reappropriated funds received from the
15	department of local affairs under subsection (1)(d) of this section. To
16	implement this act, the office may use this appropriation to provide
17	information technology services for the department of local affairs.
18	SECTION 6. Act subject to petition - effective date -
19	<b>applicability.</b> (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
20	the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the
21	general assembly (August 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10,
22	2017); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1
23	(3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section,
24	or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part
25	will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election
26	to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the
27	date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

1 (2) This act applies to seizures conducted on or after the 2 applicable effective date of this act.