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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING PROGRAMS TO REDUCE GROUND LEVEL OZONE THROUGH 102 INCREASED USE OF TRANSIT.

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.)

The bill creates the ozone season transit grant program (program) in the Colorado energy office (office). The program provides grants to the regional transportation district (RTD) and transit associations in order to provide free transit services for at least 30 days during ozone season. A transit association receiving a grant may use the money to make grants to eligible transit agencies. The eligible transit agencies may use the money

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to provide at least 30 days of new or expanded free transit services during ozone season. The RTD may use grant money to cover up to 80% of the costs of providing free transit for at least 30 days on all services offered by the RTD during ozone season. Eligible transit agencies and the RTD can use the money to cover lost fare box revenues and to pay for other expenses necessary to implement the program, including expenses associated with an increase in ridership as a result of the program. The RTD and a transportation association receiving a grant are required to report to the office on the services offered and estimates of the change in ridership as a result of the program.

The office is required to establish policies governing the program and to report to the house and senate transportation committees by December 31 of each year of the program. The program is repealed, effective July 1, 2024.

The transit and rail division (division) in the department of transportation is required to create a 3-year pilot project to extend state-run transit services throughout the state with the goals of reducing ground level ozone, increasing ridership, and reducing vehicle miles traveled in the state. The division is required to report to the transportation legislation review committee on the pilot project. The pilot project is repealed, effective July 1, 2026.

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

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SECTION 1. Legislative declaration. (1) The general assembly hereby finds and declares that:

- (a) Ground level ozone poses health risks to all Coloradans, especially to vulnerable populations including the elderly, young children, and people with asthma or other respiratory diseases;
- (b) The negative effects of ozone exposure include pain when breathing deeply, coughing, sore throat, and inflamed or damaged airways;
- (c) Ozone exposure can also exacerbate existing respiratory conditions including asthma, emphysema, and chronic bronchitis and may be a potential cause of asthma;
 - (d) Ozone is one of the most common ambient air pollutants along

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1	the front range of Colorado;							
2	(e) Ground level ozone forms when chemical reactions occur							
3	between nitrogen emitted from cars and other sources and volatile organic							
4	compounds in the presence of sunlight, making levels highest during the							
5	summer months;							
6	(f) Colorado's ozone season, which runs from June 1 through							
7	August 31, poses significant health risks to Colorado's vulnerable							
8	residents and can force individuals to restrict their daily activities and stay							
9	indoors on days with high ozone levels;							
10	(g) Reducing ground traffic and encouraging the use of public							
11	transit can help lower ozone-forming emissions and thereby reduce							
12	ground level ozone during the ozone season;							
13	(h) Reducing ground level ozone serves an important public							
14	interest by protecting the health and well being of all Coloradans,							
15	especially those who are vulnerable to the negative impacts of ozone							
16	exposure;							
17	(i) Offering free transit has increased transit use in other							
18	communities and can help rebuild ridership following the COVID-19							
19	pandemic; and							
20	(j) Creating a grant program to provide free public transit during							
21	ozone season will promote public health and serve the interests of all							
22	Coloradans.							
23	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 24-38.5-113 as							
24	follows:							
25	24-38.5-113. Ozone season transit grant program - fund -							
26	creation - policies - report - definitions - repeal. (1) AS USED IN THIS							
27	SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:							

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1	(a) "ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCY" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT IS:								
2	(I) A REGIONAL SERVICE AUTHORITY PROVIDING SURFACE								
3	TRANSPORTATION PURSUANT TO PART 1 OF ARTICLE 7 OF TITLE 32, A								
4	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY CREATED PURSUANT TO PART 6								
5	OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 43, OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE								
6	STATE, PUBLIC ENTITY, OR NONPROFIT CORPORATION PROVIDING MASS								
7	TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC OTHER THAN THE								
8	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT; AND								
9	(II) ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE MONEY UNDER A GRANT AUTHORIZED BY								
10	49 U.S.C. SEC. 5307 OR 49 U.S.C. SEC. 5311.								
11	(b) "FUND" MEANS THE OZONE SEASON TRANSIT GRANT PROGRAM								
12	FUND ESTABLISHED IN SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION.								
13	(c) "Office" means the Colorado energy office created in								
14	SECTION 24-38.5-101.								
15	(d) "Ozone season" means the period from June 1 to August								
16	31 of a calendar year.								
17	(e) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE OZONE SEASON TRANSIT GRANT								
18	PROGRAM CREATED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION.								
19	$(f) \ "Regional transportation district" \\ means the regional$								
20	TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE 9 OF TITLE 32.								
21	(g) "Transit association" means a Colorado nonprofit								
22	CORPORATION FORMED TO REPRESENT TRANSIT INTERESTS IN COLORADO								
23	WHOSE MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES TRANSIT AGENCIES, TRANSIT-RELATED								
24	BUSINESSES, AND GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES.								
25	(2) THE OZONE SEASON TRANSIT GRANT PROGRAM IS CREATED IN								
26	THE OFFICE. THE PURPOSES OF THE PROGRAM ARE:								
27	(a) TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO TRANSIT ASSOCIATIONS FOR THE								

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1	PURPOSE OF PROVIDING GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCIES IN ORDER
2	TO OFFER FREE TRANSIT SERVICES FOR A MINIMUM OF THIRTY DAYS
3	DURING OZONE SEASON; AND
4	(b) TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
5	DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FREE TRANSPORTATION
6	SERVICES FOR A MINIMUM OF THIRTY DAYS DURING OZONE SEASON.
7	(3) THE OFFICE SHALL ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM AND AWARD
8	GRANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION AND THE POLICIES
9	DEVELOPED BY THE OFFICE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS
10	SECTION. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, GRANTS SHALL BE
11	PAID OUT OF THE FUND.
12	(4) TO RECEIVE A GRANT, A TRANSIT ASSOCIATION OR THE
13	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT MUST SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO
14	THE OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION
15	AND THE POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY THE OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH
16	SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION. THE OFFICE MAY AWARD GRANTS OF UP
17	TO THREE MILLION DOLLARS EACH YEAR TO A TRANSIT ASSOCIATION AND
18	UP TO ELEVEN MILLION DOLLARS EACH YEAR TO THE REGIONAL
19	TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT.
20	(5) A GRANT RECIPIENT MAY USE THE GRANT MONEY AS FOLLOWS:
21	(a) (I) A TRANSIT ASSOCIATION THAT RECEIVES A GRANT MAY USE
22	THE MONEY TO ESTABLISH A GRANT PROGRAM FOR ELIGIBLE TRANSIT
23	AGENCIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION. A TRANSIT ASSOCIATION
24	MAY USE A PORTION OF THE GRANT MONEY TO PAY ITS DIRECT AND
25	INDIRECT COSTS IN ADMINISTERING THE GRANT PROGRAM.
26	(II) TO RECEIVE A GRANT FROM THE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION, AN
27	ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCY MUST SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE TRANSIT

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1	$ASSOCIATION. \ AT A MINIMUM, THE \ APPLICATION \ MUST \ DESCRIBE \ THE \ FREE$
2	TRANSIT SERVICES THAT WILL BE PROVIDED OR EXPANDED WITH THE
3	GRANT MONEY, INDICATE TO WHAT EXTENT THE ELIGIBLE TRANSIT
4	AGENCY WILL MATCH THE GRANT MONEY WITH OTHER MONEY, AND
5	COMMIT TO PROVIDING THE NEW OR EXPANDED FREE SERVICES FOR AT
6	LEAST THIRTY DAYS DURING THE OZONE SEASON.
7	(III) AN ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCY THAT RECEIVES A GRANT
8	THROUGH THE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION MAY USE THE MONEY TO COVER THE
9	COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PROVIDING NEW OR EXPANDED FREE TRANSIT
10	SERVICES WITHIN ITS SERVICE AREA DURING OZONE SEASON, INCLUDING
11	OFFERING ADDITIONAL FREE ROUTES OR EXPANDING SERVICE ON ROUTES
12	FOR WHICH THE ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCY CURRENTLY OFFERS FREE
13	SERVICE. GRANT MONEY MAY BE USED TO REPLACE FARE BOX REVENUE
14	AND TO PAY FOR OTHER EXPENSES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE
15	PROGRAM, INCLUDING EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH AN INCREASE IN
16	RIDERSHIP AS A RESULT OF THE PROGRAM.
17	(IV) AN ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCY SHALL NOT USE GRANT MONEY
18	TO OFFSET OR REPLACE FUNDING FOR FREE TRANSIT SERVICES THAT THE
19	ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCY OFFERS AS OF JANUARY 1 OF THE FUNDING
20	YEAR.
21	(V) IN AWARDING GRANTS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (5)(a), THE
22	TRANSIT ASSOCIATION SHALL:
23	(A) ALLOCATE MONEY AMONG APPLICANTS WITH THE GOALS OF
24	REDUCING OZONE FORMATION, INCREASING RIDERSHIP ON TRANSIT, AND
25	REDUCING VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED IN THE STATE; AND
26	(B) CONSIDER THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE APPLICANT WILL MATCH
27	GRANT MONEY WITH OTHER MONEY.

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1	(VI) EACH ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCY THAT RECEIVES A GRANT									
2	SHALL REPORT ON THE USE OF THE MONEY TO THE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION									
3	IN ACCORDANCE WITH POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY THE TRANSIT									
4	ASSOCIATION AND THE OFFICE. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE, AT A									
5	MINIMUM, INFORMATION ON HOW THE GRANT MONEY WAS SPENT; THE									
6	FREE SERVICES THAT WERE OFFERED USING THE GRANT MONEY; AND									
7	ESTIMATES OF THE CHANGE IN RIDERSHIP DURING THE PERIOD THAT FREE									
8	SERVICES WERE OFFERED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTHS, THE SAME									
9	MONTH IN PREVIOUS YEARS, AND THE MONTHS AFTER THE PROGRAM									
10	CONCLUDED. THE REPORT MAY INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION,									
11	INCLUDING A NARRATIVE ANALYSIS, TO PROVIDE CONTEXT ON THE									
12	RIDERSHIP DATA INCLUDED IN THE REPORT. ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1									
13	OF EACH YEAR OF THE GRANT PROGRAM, THE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION SHALL									
14	SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE OFFICE COMPILING AND SUMMARIZING THE									
15	REPORTED INFORMATION FOR ALL ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCIES THAT									
16	RECEIVED A GRANT THROUGH THE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION.									
17	(VII) A TRANSIT ASSOCIATION RECEIVING A GRANT SHALL									
18	DEVELOP AND PUBLICIZE POLICIES FOR THE GRANT, INCLUDING THE									
19	PROCESS AND DEADLINES FOR AN ELIGIBLE TRANSIT AGENCY TO APPLY FOR									
20	AND RECEIVE A GRANT, THE INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION									
21	REQUIRED FOR THE APPLICATION, REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND									
22	DEADLINES, AND ANY ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS NECESSARY TO									
23	ADMINISTER THE GRANT.									
24	(b)(I) The regional transportation district may use grant									
25	MONEY TO COVER UP TO EIGHTY PERCENT OF THE COSTS OF PROVIDING AT									
26	LEAST THIRTY DAYS OF FREE TRANSIT ON ALL SERVICES OFFERED BY THE									
27	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT. GRANT MONEY MAY BE USED TO									

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1	REPLACE FARE BOX REVENUE AND TO PAY FOR OTHER EXPENSES										
2	NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM, INCLUDING EXPENSES										
3	ASSOCIATED WITH AN INCREASE IN RIDERSHIP AS A RESULT OF THE										
4	PROGRAM.										
5	(II) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR FOR WHICH THE										
6	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT RECEIVES A GRANT, THE REGIONAL										
7	TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE OFFICE ON										
8	THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE										
9	POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY THE OFFICE. AT A MINIMUM, THE REPORT MUST										
10	INCLUDE INFORMATION ON HOW THE GRANT MONEY WAS SPENT; THE FREE										
11	SERVICES THAT WERE OFFERED USING THE GRANT MONEY; AND ESTIMATES										
12	OF THE CHANGE IN RIDERSHIP DURING THE PERIOD THAT FREE SERVICES										
13	WERE OFFERED COMPARED TO PREVIOUS MONTHS, THE SAME MONTH IN										
14	PREVIOUS YEARS, AND THE MONTHS AFTER THE PROGRAM CONCLUDED.										
15	THE REPORT MAY INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, INCLUDING A										
16	NARRATIVE ANALYSIS, TO PROVIDE CONTEXT ON THE RIDERSHIP DATA										
17	INCLUDED IN THE REPORT.										
18	(III) THE STATE AUDITOR SHALL AUDIT THE REGIONAL										
19	TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT'S USE OF THE GRANT MONEY AS PART OF ITS										
20	NEXT PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT										
21	CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 32-9-115 (3).										
22	(6) THE OFFICE SHALL ESTABLISH AND PUBLICIZE POLICIES FOR THE										
23	PROGRAM. AT A MINIMUM, THE POLICIES MUST ADDRESS THE PROCESS AND										
24	ANY DEADLINES FOR APPLYING FOR AND RECEIVING A GRANT UNDER THE										
25	PROGRAM, THE INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THE										
26	APPLICATION, REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES, AND ANY										
27	ADDITIONAL POLICIES NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM.										

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OR DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE PURPOSES OF
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THIS SECTION. THE OFFICE SHALL TRANSMIT ALL MONEY RECEIVED
THROUGH GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO
SHALL CREDIT THE MONEY TO THE FUND.
(8) (a) The ozone season transit grant program fund is
HEREBY CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. THE FUND CONSISTS OF
MONEY TRANSFERRED TO THE FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION
(8)(d) of this section, any other money that the general assembly
APPROPRIATES OR TRANSFERS TO THE FUND, AND ANY GIFTS, GRANTS, OR
DONATIONS CREDITED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7) OF THIS
SECTION.
(b) The state treasurer shall credit all interest and
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(c) Money in the fund is continuously appropriated to the office for the purposes specified in this section. (d) Three days after the effective date of this subsection (8)(d), the state treasurer shall transfer twenty-eight million dollars from the general fund to the fund. (9) On or before December 31 of each year of the program, the office shall submit a report on the implementation of the program to the house of representatives transportation and local government committee and the senate transportation and

(7) THE OFFICE MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS, GRANTS,

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1	(10) This section is repealed, effective July $1, 2024$.
2	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 43-1-117, add (5) as
3	follows:
4	43-1-117. Transportation development division - created -
5	duties - freight mobility and safety branch - repeal. (5) (a) THREE
6	DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION (5), THE STATE
7	TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER TEN MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL
8	FUND TO THE STATE HIGHWAY FUND CREATED IN SECTION 43-1-219 FOR
9	USE BY THE TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT DIVISION AS ADDITIONAL
10	FUNDING FOR THE REVITALIZING MAIN STREETS PROGRAM, GIVING
11	PRIORITY TO PROGRAMS THAT IMPROVE AIR QUALITY THROUGH INCREASED
12	USE OF TRANSIT.
13	(b) This subsection (5) is repealed, effective July 1, 2026.
14	SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 43-1-117.5, add (4)
15	as follows:
16	43-1-117.5. Transit and rail division - created - powers and
17	duties - pilot project to expand transit - repeal. (4) (a) THE TRANSIT
18	AND RAIL DIVISION SHALL ESTABLISH A PILOT PROJECT, BEGINNING NO
19	LATER THAN JULY $1,2022$, and concluding on June $30,2025$, for the
20	EXTENSION OF STATE-RUN TRANSIT SYSTEMS. THE GOALS OF THE PILOT
21	PROJECT ARE TO INCREASE RIDERSHIP ON STATE-RUN TRANSIT, REDUCE
22	VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED IN THE STATE, AND REDUCE GROUND LEVEL
23	OZONE IN THE STATE.
24	(b) On or before December 1, 2023, and on or before
25	DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR THROUGH 2025, THE TRANSIT AND RAIL
26	DIVISION SHALL REPORT TO THE TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION REVIEW
27	COMMITTEE CREATED IN SECTION 43-2-145 ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF

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1	THE PILOT PROJECT, INCLUDING INFORMATION ON THE SERVICES THAT ARE								
2	EXPANDED OR EXTENDED AND ESTIMATES OF THE INCREASED RIDERSHIP								
3	AS A RESULT OF THE PILOT PROJECT.								
4	(c) THREE DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION								
5	(4), THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER THIRTY MILLION DOLLARS								
6	FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STATE HIGHWAY FUND CREATED IN								
7	SECTION 43-1-219 FOR USE BY THE TRANSIT AND RAIL DIVISION FOR THE								
8	PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION (4).								
9	(d) This subsection (4) is repealed, effective July 1, 2026.								
10	SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-2-407, amend (1)								
11	and (8) as follows:								
12	42-2-407. Licensing of testing units and driving testers -								
13	hearings - regulations. (1) Commercial driver's license driving tests may								
14	be performed only by employees of the department or by commercial								
15	driver's license driving testers WHO ARE employed by commercial driver's								
16	license testing units, UNDER CONTRACT WITH A COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S								
17	LICENSE TESTING UNIT, OR UNDER CONTRACT WITH A STATEWIDE								
18	ASSOCIATION WORKING WITH TRANSIT AGENCIES.								
19	(8) (a) The department shall adopt regulations for the								
20	administration and operation of commercial driver's license testing units								
21	and the conduct of commercial driver's license driving testers.								
22	(b) IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THE CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF TRANSIT								
23	DRIVERS THAT IS LIMITING THE ABILITY OF TRANSIT AGENCIES TO OFFER								
24	ROBUST SERVICES, AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE								
25	OF THIS SUBSECTION (8)(b), THE RULES MUST INCLUDE PROVISIONS								
26	ALLOWING A TESTING UNIT THAT DOES NOT EMPLOY A DRIVING TESTER TO								
27	BE LICENSED AND CONDUCT TESTS USING A DRIVING TESTER THAT IS								

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- 4 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 5 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

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