

SB056_L.007

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

SB16-056 be amended as follows:

1 Amend proposed committee amendment (SB056_L.006), page 1, strike
2 lines 17 and 18 and substitute:

3 "OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE.

4 (2) (a) THE WORKING GROUP SHALL EXAMINE THE
5 WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION LAWS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND
6 OF OTHER STATES AND COMPARE THOSE LAWS TO COLORADO'S
7 WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION LAW AS CONTAINED IN THIS ARTICLE. THE
8 WORKING GROUP SHALL DETERMINE MEANS OF BROADENING THE
9 WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS IN COLORADO LAW FOR SITUATIONS
10 WHERE THE SUBJECT OF WHISTLEBLOWING INVOLVES CONFIDENTIAL
11 INFORMATION THAT WOULD NEED TO BE DISCLOSED IN SOME MANNER IN
12 ORDER TO BRING TO LIGHT ACTIVITIES INCLUDING THE WASTE OF PUBLIC
13 FUNDS, ABUSE OF AUTHORITY, OR MISMANAGEMENT. THE WORKING GROUP
14 SHALL DETERMINE METHODS BY WHICH CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
15 COULD BE DISCLOSED WHILE PRESERVING THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF
16 THE INFORMATION. THE WORKING GROUP SHALL INCLUDE INPUT FROM
17 ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING BUSINESS, PRIVACY ADVOCATES,
18 AND EMPLOYEE ADVOCATES.

19 (b) MEETINGS OF THE WORKING GROUP ARE SUBJECT TO PART 4 OF
20 ARTICLE 6 OF THIS TITLE, AND THE WORKING GROUP IS SUBJECT TO THE
21 "COLORADO OPEN RECORDS ACT", PART 2 OF ARTICLE 72 OF THIS TITLE.

22 (3) BY NOVEMBER 1, 2016, THE WORKING GROUP SHALL REPORT
23 ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL SERVICES AND TO
24 THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

25 (4) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018."

26 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly."

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