

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading

BY REPRESENTATIVE Froelich

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 4, after line 26 insert:
2 "SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 32-9-119.5, add
3 (2)(e) as follows:
4 **32-9-119.5. Competition to provide vehicular service within**
5 **the regional transportation district - definition.** (2) (e) (I) TO
6 PROVIDE VEHICULAR SERVICE OTHER THAN FIXED-ROUTE SERVICE, THE
7 DISTRICT OR A QUALIFIED PRIVATE BUSINESS, NONPROFIT
8 ORGANIZATION, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL DEMONSTRATE THAT
9 AT LEAST TWO OF THE THREE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS APPLY TO THE
10 PROPOSED SERVICE COMPARED TO A FIXED-ROUTE SERVICE:
11 (A) A FIXED-ROUTE SERVICE IS LESS COST EFFECTIVE PER
12 PASSENGER MILE;
13 (B) A FIXED-ROUTE SERVICE WOULD PRODUCE MORE CARBON
14 EMISSIONS; OR
15 (C) A FIXED-ROUTE SERVICE WOULD PROVIDE LESS SERVICE IN
16 TERMS OF NUMBERS OF PASSENGERS CARRIED AND PASSENGER MILES
17 TRAVELED.
18 (II) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2)(e), "FIXED-ROUTE
19 SERVICE" MEANS VEHICULAR SERVICE ON A PREDETERMINED ROUTE
20 AND SCHEDULE.
21 (III) THIS SUBSECTION (2)(e) DOES NOT APPLY TO VEHICULAR
22 SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES OR TO VEHICULAR
23 SERVICES ESTABLISHED BEFORE MAY 1, 2025."

24 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

25 Page 6, after line 7 insert:
26 "(13) (a) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 15, 2025, THE DISTRICT
27 SHALL REPORT TO THE TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION REVIEW
28 COMMITTEE CREATED IN SECTION 43-2-145 (1)(a) ON THE DISTRICT'S
29 FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL FORECAST, DEBT CAPACITY, AND USE OF AGENCY
30 RESERVE ACCOUNTS. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE A COMPARISON OF
31 COMPARABLE TRANSIT AGENCIES IN OTHER STATES.
32 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (13) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
33 2026.

34 Page 15, after line 15 insert:
35 "(d) (I) THE DISTRICT SHALL UPDATE THE NEIGHBORHOOD
36 ECOPASS PROGRAM PRICING STRATEGY BY JULY 1, 2026.
37 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (3)(d) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JANUARY

1 1, 2027."

2 Reletter succeeding paragraph accordingly.

3 Page 22, after line 21 insert:

4 "(III) THE PARATRANSIT SERVICES PROVIDED WITHIN THE
5 DISTRICT'S GEOGRAPHIC SERVICE AREA. AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION
6 (3)(a)(III), "PARATRANSIT SERVICES" MEANS COMPLEMENTARY
7 PARALLEL TRANSIT SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
8 WHO ARE UNABLE TO UTILIZE REGULAR OR FIXED-ROUTE TRANSIT
9 SERVICES FOR SOME OR ALL OF THEIR TRANSIT NEEDS.

10 (IV) HOW TRANSIT SERVICES WITHIN THE DISTRICT CAN BE
11 EXPANDED WHILE ENSURING GOOD-PAYING JOBS WITH BENEFITS FOR
12 TRANSIT SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE PROVIDERS, GIVEN STATE
13 INVESTMENTS TO EXPAND TRANSIT IN THE STATE;

14 (V) HOW TRANSIT SERVICES WITHIN THE DISTRICT MAY BE
15 SERVED BY IMPLEMENTING EMPLOYER HARMONY AGREEMENTS THAT
16 PROTECT AGAINST LABOR DISPUTES AND OTHER DISRUPTIONS THAT
17 CAN LEAD TO WORKFORCE RETENTION CHALLENGES AND SERVICE
18 RELIABILITY AND SAFETY CONCERNS;"

19 Renumber succeeding subparagraphs accordingly.

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