

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Energy & Environment.

HB25-1096 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 17, line 1, strike "ESTABLISH, BY RULE," and
2 substitute "ESTABLISH".

3 Page 18, strike lines 14 through 27 and substitute:

4 "SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-38.5-119, **amend**
5 (3)(b), (3)(c), and (4) as follows:

6 **24-38.5-119. Streamlined solar permitting and inspection**
7 **grant program - creation - eligibility - fund created - gifts, grants, or**
8 **donations - reporting - legislative declaration - definitions - repeal.**

9 (3) The grant program is created to allow an authority having
10 jurisdiction to apply to the office for a grant to help provide
11 implementation support to the authority having jurisdiction for
12 implementation of automated permitting software. In administering the
13 grant program, the office shall:

14 (b) Develop procedures to award a grant to an authority having
15 jurisdiction for expenses expected to be incurred in adopting automated
16 permitting software, including necessary expenses for staff time,
17 information technology, training, installation, third-party consulting,
18 ongoing maintenance for up to three years AFTER THE GRANTEE
19 IMPLEMENTS THE AUTOMATED PERMITTING SOFTWARE, and hardware or
20 equipment;

21 (c) Not award money to an authority having jurisdiction for
22 expected costs associated with software other than automated permitting
23 software, activities occurring before being awarded grant program money,
24 ~~or more than one hundred eighty days after receiving grant program~~
25 ~~money~~, food and beverage costs, fines, penalties, advertising, or permit
26 processing fees including fees charged by the operator of automated
27 permitting software;

28 (4) (a) The office may use up to nine percent of the money in the
29 fund to ~~cover~~ PAY FOR the direct and indirect costs that the office incurs
30 in administering the grant program.

31 (b) THE OFFICE MAY USE UP TO NINE PERCENT OF THE MONEY
32 REMAINING IN THE FUND AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2025, TO PAY FOR THE
33 DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS THAT THE OFFICE INCURS IN ADMINISTERING
34 THE GRANT PROGRAM."

35 Page 19, strike lines 1 through 18.

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