

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

May 8, 2026
Date

Committee on Appropriations.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB26-1138 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 3, line 2, strike "office of the attorney general,"
2 and substitute "division of criminal justice in the department of public
3 safety,".
- 4 Page 3, strike line 7 and substitute "division of criminal justice;".
- 5 Page 3, line 15, strike "24-31-120" and substitute "24-33.5-540".
- 6 Page 3, line 17, strike "**24-31-120.**" and substitute "**24-33.5-540.**".
- 7 Page 4, line 12, strike "OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL," and
8 substitute "DIVISION,".
- 9 Page 6, strike lines 19 and 20 and substitute "(4). GRANTS MUST BE PAID
10 OUT OF MONEY APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-117 (7) OR
11 FROM GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
12 (4)(e) OF THIS SECTION.".
- 13 Page 7, after line 3 insert:

14 "(5) THE DIVISION MAY ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL
15 OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR THE
16 ADVISORY BOARD AND THE COLORADO RETAIL THEFT TASK FORCE TO
17 SHARE RESOURCES AND COORDINATE ACTIVITIES RELATED TO REDUCING
18 ORGANIZED FELONY-LEVEL THEFT IN THE STATE.".
- 19 Renumber succeeding subsections accordingly.

1 Page 7, strike lines 11 through 15 and substitute:

2 "(c) THE NUMBER OF CRIMINAL CASES INITIATED FOR ORGANIZED
3 FELONY-LEVEL RETAIL THEFT AS REPORTED BY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS AND
4 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, INCLUDING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY
5 SOUGHT IN EACH CASE; AND

6 (d) THE OUTCOME OF EACH CASE INITIATED FOR ORGANIZED
7 FELONY-LEVEL RETAIL THEFT."

8 Page 7, after line 16 insert:

9 "SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-117, amend
10 (7) and (9) as follows:

11 **24-33.5-117. Crime prevention through safer streets grant**
12 **program - created - committee - reports - repeal.**

13 (7) (a) The general assembly shall appropriate ten million three
14 hundred thousand dollars in fiscal year 2022-23 from the general fund for
15 the grant program AND THE RETAIL THEFT PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM
16 CREATED IN SECTION 24-33.5-540. Any unexpended money remaining at
17 the end of ~~the 2022-23~~ A state fiscal year from this appropriation may be
18 used by the department until fully expended without further appropriation
19 and must not be used for any other purpose other than the purposes set
20 forth in this section AND SECTION 24-33.5-540.

21 (b) ON JULY 1, 2027, TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE
22 UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEY REMAINING AT THE END OF
23 THE 2026-27 STATE FISCAL YEAR FROM THE APPROPRIATION MADE
24 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS SECTION REVERTS TO THE
25 GENERAL FUND AND IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER EXPENDITURE BY
26 THE DEPARTMENT.

27 (9) This section is repealed, effective ~~July 1, 2027~~ NOVEMBER 1,
28 2029."

29 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

30 Strike "ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE" and substitute "DIVISION" on: **Page**
31 **6**, line 6 and 23; and **Page 7**, line 5.

32 Page 1, lines 104 and 105, strike "OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL."
33 and substitute "DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE."

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