Single subject: Prohibition on the importation of wolves from out-of-state.

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 33-2-105.8 **amend** (2) (d), and (5) (b), and (5)-(c) as follows:

33-2-105.8. Reintroduction of gray wolves on designated lands west of the continental divide - public input in commission development of restoration plan - compensation to owners of livestock - definitions.

- (2) Notwithstanding any provision of state law to the contrary, including section 33-2-105.5 (2), and in order to restore gray wolves to the state, the commission shall:
- (d) Take the steps necessary to begin reintroductions of gray wolves by <u>December</u> 31, 2023, AND END REINTRODUCTIONS OF GRAY WOLVES BY DECEMBER 31, 2026, only on designated lands; and
- (5) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (b) "Ggray wolf" means nongame wildlife of the species canis lupus.
- (c) "Livestock" means cattle, horses, mules, burros, sheep, lambs, swine, llama, alpaca, and goats AND LIVESTOCK GUARD OR HERDING ANIMALS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 33-1-128 (1)(C).7 WORKING DOGS AND LIVESTOCK GUARDIAN DOGS.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes 33-1-128, amend (1) (c) as follows:

33-1-128. Compensation for damages - wolf depredation compensation fund

(1) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

(c) "Livestock guard or herding animal" means an animal whose primary purpose is protecting livestock from depredation or herding livestock GUARDIAN DOG" OR "WORKING DOG" MEANS AN ANIMAL THAT IS OF THE SPECIES CANIS FAMILIARIS AND THAT IS REGULARLY USED FOR HERDING OR GUARDING LIVESTOCK.

SECTION 23. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 33-2-109 as follows:

33-2-109105.10 Prohibition on the importation of wolves from out-of-state.

(1) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 33-2-105.8, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON OR THE STATE OF COLORADOANY PROVISION OF STATE LAW TO THE

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CONTRARY, THE STATE OF COLORADO, POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE, STATE PUBLIC BODIES, LOCAL PUBLIC BODIES, DIVISIONS, COMMISSIONS, PUBLIC SERVANTS, PERSONS, HUMAN BEINGS, AND GROUPS OR ASSOCIATIONS OF TWO OR MORE PEOPLE ARE IS PROHIBITED FROM IMPORTING WOLVES INTO COLORADO FROM OUT-OF-STATE.

(2) THE EXCEPTION TO THISTHE WOLF IMPORTATION PROHIBITION SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A WOLF ARE WOLVES IMPORTED FOR CAPTIVE SCIENTIFIC, ZOOLOGICAL OR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 33-2-106(3).

SECTION 4. Effective Date.

This act takes effect on the date of the proclamation of the Governor announcing the approval, by the registered electors of the state, of the proposed initiative.