

**First Regular Session  
Seventieth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**RESOLUTION A**

LLS NO. R15-0129.01 Ashley Zimmerman x2291

**HOUSE Joint Resolution**

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**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**Exum,**

**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**Roberts,**

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**House Committees**

**Senate Committees**

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**INTERIM COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

101     **CONCERNING REQUESTS TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REGARDING**  
102             **SUPPORT FOR WILDLAND FIRE SUPPRESSION.**

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1             WHEREAS, The threat of wildfire is a matter of serious concern  
2     to Colorado residents, especially to those living in the wildland-urban  
3     interface; and

4             WHEREAS, In the last decade, the average number of acres  
5     burned by wildfires in Colorado has more than tripled; and

6             WHEREAS, Since 1994, Colorado has experienced some of its  
7     worst fires on record, including:

8             ●     The South Canyon Fire, also referred to as the Storm King  
9                     Fire, in 1994, which burned 2,115 acres and killed 14  
10                    firefighters;

11            ●     The Hayman Fire, in 2002, which burned 137,760 acres,  
12                    killed 5 firefighters, destroyed 600 total structures, and  
13                    remains the largest wildfire in Colorado by area;

14            ●     The Missionary Ridge Fire, in 2002, which burned 71,739  
15                    acres, killed one firefighter, and destroyed 56 homes;

16            ●     The Fourmile Canyon Fire, in 2010, which burned 6,181  
17                    acres and destroyed at least 162 homes;

*Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*



1           (2) Purchase and deploy additional aerial firefighting equipment  
2 to assist in fighting wildfires across the country.

3           *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent  
4 to Steven Pischke, President of Colorado State Fire Chiefs; Paul Cooke,  
5 Director of the Division of Fire Prevention and Control in the Department  
6 of Public Safety; Mike Rogers, President, Colorado Professional Fire  
7 Fighters; Steve Trujillo, President, Colorado State Fire Fighters  
8 Association; Brian Achziger, Deputy State Fire Management Officer,  
9 Bureau of Land Management Colorado State Office; Mark Boche, Fire  
10 and Aviation Management Director, U.S. Forest Service Rocky Mountain  
11 Region; and each member of Colorado's congressional delegation.