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February 1, 2024 Mr. Speaker,

The Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 302**, PALEONTOLOGICAL LANDMARK AMENDMENTS, by Representative J. Elison, with the following amendments:

- 1. Page 1, Line 27 through Page 2, Line 37:
  - 27 79-3-505. Paleontological landmarks.
  - 28 (1) (a) [Sites] <u>A site</u> of significance or [sites] <u>a site</u> with exceptional fossils may be
  - 29 <u>designated as a state paleontological landmark by:</u>
  - 30 (i) [recommended to and approved by the board as state paleontological landmarks]
  - 31 recommendation to and approval of the board; or
  - 32 (ii) approval of the Legislature and the governor through concurrent resolution.
  - 33 (b) <u>(i) The governor shall notify the board if a concurrent resolution</u> <u>described in Subsection (1)(a)(ii) is introduced by the Legislature.</u>

<u>(ii) If the board receives a recommendation described in Subsection (1)(a)(i)</u> or notice described in Subsection (1)(b)(i), the survey may prepare a report on the impacts of the proposed state paleontological landmark and submit the report to the Legislature and the governor.

(c) No privately owned site, a site on school or institutional trust lands, or a site on

- 34 lands owned or controlled by a city that has a paleontology museum may be so designated
- 35 without the written consent of the owner or the trust.
- 36 { (c) } (d) The ownership or control of a site or the site's fossils does not change upon
- 37 designation as a state paleontological landmark.

Respectfully,

Carl R. Albrecht Chair

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