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#### CHAPTER 136

### PUBLIC LANDS

RELINQUISHMENT OF RESERVED MINERAL RIGHTS TO UNITED STATES

(Senate Bill No. 256. By Senators Bosworth, Cummings, Gilliam, Davies and Ragan)

## AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE GRANTING TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OF THE MINERAL RIGHTS RESERVED IN CERTAIN LANDS HERETOFORE SOLD BY THE STATE OF COLORADO.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

WHEREAS, the state of Colorado has heretofore sold Description and conveyed the west half of section 28, and all section 36, in township 4 south, of range 64 west, 6th P. M.; sections 16 and 36, in township 5 south, of range 64 west, 6th P. M.; section 36, in township 4 south, of range 65 west, 6th P. M.; sections 16 and 36, in township 5 south, of range 65 west, 6th P. M.; and section 36, in township 4 south, of range 66 west, 6th P. M.; and in the patents conveying the same has reserved to the state of Colorado all rights to any and all minerals, ores and metals of any kind and character and all coal, asphaltum, oil, gas or other like substances in or under said lands, with the right of ingress and egress for the purpose of mining, together with enough of the surface of the same as may be necessary for the proper and efficient working of such minerals and substances; and said described lands are being acquired by the United States of America for use of an aerial gunnery and bombing range by the army air corps under the provisions of that certain act of congress approved August 26, 1937, authorizing the secretary of war to establish in or near Denver, Colorado, a branch of the air corps technical school; and the retention by the state of Colorado of such mineral rights is inconsistent with the use of such lands by the United States and any mining of minerals in said lands would hamper the army air corps in using the same;

Section 1. The state of Colorado desires to cooperate with the United States of America in the matter of national defense and for that reason and also because of the benefit

Mineral Rights Relinquished to United States to the state of Colorado from the establishment of said branch of the air corps technical school, the state board of land commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to relinquish said reserved mineral rights and to cause a patent to be issued to the United States for said mineral rights so reserved, which patent shall be signed by the governor, attested by the secretary of state, and countersigned by the register of said board and have the great seal of the state and the seal of the state board of land commissioners thereto attached; and when so executed, such patent shall convey to the United States all of the rights in said lands and reserved to the state of Colorado in the several patents heretofore issued conveying the said lands.

Safety Clause Section 2. It is hereby declared that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety.

Emergency

Section 3. In the opinion of the general assembly an emergency exists; therefore, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved: March 23, 1939.