

# FINAL FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: WORKERS' COMP OUT-OF-STATE WORKERS TEMP IN COLORADO

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

□ State Revenue

State Expenditure (minimal)

□ State Transfer

□ TABOR Refund

□ Local Government

□ Statutory Public Entity

The bill establishes an exemption from the state's Workers' Compensation Act for out-of-state employers who have employees working in Colorado temporarily. It will

create a potential minimal workload impact.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

### **Summary of Legislation**

This bill establishes an exemption from the state's Workers' Compensation Act for out-of-state employers that have employees temporarily working in Colorado and that meet specified criteria. These criteria include that:

- the employer has workers' compensation insurance in its home state which applies to its employees working temporarily in Colorado;
- the employer's home state is contiguous to Colorado; and
- the employer's home state provides a reciprocal exemption for Colorado employers that have employees working temporarily in the reciprocal state.

The home state's workers' compensation laws are the sole remedy for an out-of-state worker who is injured while working temporarily in Colorado. The Division of Workers' Compensation in the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) is authorized to enter into an agreement with a contiguous state to carry out the extraterritorial application of the workers' compensation or similar law of the other state.

#### **State Expenditures**

The Division of Workers' Compensation in CDLE will have a minimal workload increase to perform rulemaking to implement the bill and to enter into agreements with contiguous states, where applicable. The fiscal note assumes that the reciprocal state will provide means of verifying workers' compensation coverage and that the division will not need to take any enforcement action or change any processes. As a result, no change in appropriations is required.

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## **Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on April 20, 2018.

# **State and Local Government Contacts**

Economic Development Information Technology Labor

Law Revenue