



Fiscal Summary

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Measure: Initiative 58 – PERSONAL RECOGNIZANCE BONDS FOR CERTAIN CRIMES

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Fiscal Summary of Initiative 58

This fiscal summary, prepared by the nonpartisan Director of Research of the Legislative Council, contains a preliminary assessment of the measure's fiscal impact. A full fiscal impact statement for this initiative is or will be available at leg.colorado.gov/bluebook. This fiscal summary identifies the following impact.

State Expenditures

The initiative increases workload for the trial courts and offices that represent indigent defenders to conduct and participate in longer bond hearings. The estimated increase in workload can be managed within existing resources.

Local Government

The initiative increases costs to county jails to the extent more individuals are prohibited from posting bond. Workload for district attorney offices will increase to participate in longer bond hearings.

Economic Impacts

To the extent individuals charged with certain crimes are held in jail for longer, the measure will reduce workforce participation, which may reduce economic activity from labor and spending and increase government spending on prisons and social welfare programs. To the extent that the initiative decreases criminal activity, those otherwise impacted by crime may experience better economic outcomes.