

SB 25-181: SUNSET JUST TRANSITION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Fiscal note status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill continues the Just Transition Advisory Committee indefinitely. It is currently scheduled to repeal September 1, 2025.

Types of impacts. The bill only has impacts from continuing an existing committee, which will extend existing fiscal impacts indefinitely in the following areas:

State Expenditures

Appropriations. If funding for the committee is included in the Long Bill, no appropriation is required in the bill. If funding is not included in the Long Bill, the bill requires an appropriation of \$19,730 to the Department of Labor and Employment in FY 2025-26.

Table 1
Continuation of Current State Fiscal Impacts

	Budget Year	Out Year
Type of Impact ¹	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures (General Fund)	\$19,730	\$19,730
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	\$0	\$0

¹ These impacts result from continuing a program scheduled to repeal and reflect the extension of current spending levels.

Summary of Legislation

The bill continues the Just Transition Advisory Committee in the Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) indefinitely. It is currently set to repeal on September 1, 2025.

Background

The Just Transition Advisory Committee supports the Office of Just Transition in CDLE, which was created in <u>House Bill 19-1314</u> to alleviate the effects of the coal-related facilities closures on local communities. The committee is responsible for creating an action plan and supporting the office in implementing the plan, which includes benefits and grants that are currently available or needed, and the options for funding any grants and benefits. It has 19 members and meets quarterly.

The <u>sunset report for the committee</u> is available on the Department of Regulatory Agencies website.

Continuing Program Impacts

Based on the recent estimates, the Department of Labor and Employment is expected to have expenditures of \$19,730 in FY 2025-26 to support the committee, including staff time and member travel reimbursement. If this bill is enacted, current expenditures will continue for the program starting in FY 2025-26, paid from the General Fund.

If this bill is not enacted, the task force will end on September 1, 2025, and state expenditures will decrease by \$19,730 starting in FY 2025-26.

The bill also continues minimal workload in the Department of Local Affairs, the Office of Economic Development and International Trade, the Colorado Energy Office, and the Governor's Office, each of which have an ex officio member on the committee.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

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State Appropriations

Funding to continue the committee may be included in the bill or in the Long Bill for FY 2025-26. If funding is included in the Long Bill for FY 2025-26, no appropriation is required in this bill. If funding is not included in the Long Bill, the bill requires an appropriation of \$19,730 from the General Fund to the Department of Labor and Employment for FY 2025-26.

State and Local Government Contacts

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