

SB 25-014: PROTECTING THE FREEDOM TO MARRY

Prime Sponsors:

Sen. Danielson Rep. Garcia; Titone

Bill Outcome: Signed into Law

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

Summary Information

Overview. The bill repeals the statutory provision stating that a marriage is only valid if it is between a man and a woman.

No fiscal impact. The bill has no fiscal impact on state or local government.

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

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Summary of Legislation

The bill repeals the statutory provision stating that a marriage is only valid if it is between one man and one woman.

Background

In 2015, the United States Supreme Court ruled in Obergefell v. Hodges that all states must grant and recognize same-sex marriages. Colorado voters also approved Amendment J at the November 2024 general election, which removed the constitutional provision stating that a marriage is only valid if it is between one man and woman.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

Removing the prohibition on same-sex marriage from state statute will have no impact on state agency or local government revenue or expenditures, as it conforms state laws with the state constitution and with current practices following the Supreme Court decision in Obergefell v. Hodges. For this reason, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Effective Date

This bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on April 7, 2025.

State and Local Government Contacts

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