

SB 25-038: WILDLIFE DAMAGE PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFO

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Fiscal note status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as requested by the Water Resources and

Agriculture Review Committee.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill requires that the personal information of an individual filing a claim with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for compensation for damages caused by wildlife be kept confidential.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

Minimal State Workload

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

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

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires that the personal information of any individual requesting compensation from Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) for damages caused by wildlife or for nonlethal prevention measures be kept confidential. This includes information about site assessments conducted by state officials and third parties to prevent future depredation. This information is not subject to the Colorado Open Records Act.

State Expenditures

CPW, in the Department of Natural Resources, pays claims and provides prevention materials for damages caused by wildlife. CPW will incur a minimal increase in workload to change its policies and procedures to ensure personal information of claimants is kept confidential. This effort does not require a change in appropriations.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

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