

HB 25-1321: SUPPORT AGAINST ADVERSE FEDERAL ACTION

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill appropriates \$4 million to the Governor's Office to support against adverse federal actions.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas through FY 2026-27:

State Revenue

State Expenditures

Appropriations. For FY 2025-26, the bill includes an appropriation of \$4 million to the Governor's Office.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact ¹	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
State Expenditures	\$4,000,000	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

¹ Fund sources for these impacts are shown in the tables below.

Table 1A State Expenditures

	Budget Year	Out Year
Fund Source	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Cash Funds	\$4,000,000	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0
Centrally Appropriated	\$0	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$4,000,000	\$0
Total FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill appropriates \$4 million from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Cash Fund to the Governor's Office in FY 2025-26, for use through FY 2026-27. The funds are to be used to respond to federal actions that impact the state, including hiring personnel or contractors for federal actions that impact federal funding to the state, purchasing legal services from the Department of Law to represent state officers or employees in federal legal proceedings, and other related costs that protect state sovereignty and federal funding streams.

The Governor's Office may seek, accept, and expend gifts, grants, and donations for the purposes of the bill. Any unused funds will revert back to the General Fund after July 1, 2028.

State Revenue

The bill allows the Governor's Office to seek, accept, and spend gifts, grants, and donations to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Cash Fund of the purposes outlined in the bill regarding adverse federal actions. At this time, no source of such funding has been identified. Gifts, grants, and donations are not count toward the state's TABOR limit.

State Expenditures

The bill appropriates \$4 million from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Cash Fund to the Governor's Office, which may be spent in FY 2025-26 and FY 2026-27. The exact timing and amount of expenditures may vary, but is shown in Table 1 as occurring in FY 2025-26 for informational purposes. Potential expenditures include costs to hire personnel or contractors, reimburse the Department of Law for legal services, and other expenses related to responding to federal actions that impact the state. Actual expenditures will depend on how the Governor decides to use the funds.

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Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State Appropriations

For FY 2025-26, the bill includes an appropriation of \$4 million from the Infrastructure and Jobs Act Cash Fund to the Governor's Office.

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