

FISCAL NOTE

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THREE-YEAR PERIOD THAT CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS Bill Topic:

AVAILABLE

Summary of No fiscal impact. This bill adds spending and encumbrance guidelines for capital

Fiscal Impact: construction projects to the Colorado Revised Statutes.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note

This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as recommended by the Capital

Development Committee. Status:

Summary of Legislation

This bill relocates spending and encumbrance guidelines from the Long Bill capital construction headnotes to the Colorado Revised Statutes. It also codifies spending and encumbrance guidelines for capital projects approved or modified through a supplemental appropriations bill.

Background

Prior to the 2017 legislative session, there was a common understanding that a capital project approved or modified through a supplemental appropriations bill was authorized to spend the appropriation for three full fiscal years. However, three years of spending authority is only explicitly included in the Long Bill capital construction headnotes and not in a supplemental appropriations bill. This bill codifies the three-year extension of spending authority for capital projects included in a supplemental appropriations bill.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

This bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact because it will not change how an appropriation is expended or encumbered for capital construction projects.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 8, 2018, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 9, 2018, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

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