

FISCAL NOTE

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□ TABOR Refund

BIII Topic: SIGNAGE FOR OLD SPANISH NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

State Revenue (potential)

☑ State Expenditure☐ State Transfer☐ Local Government☐ Statutory Public Entity

This bill requires the Colorado Department of Transportation to mark significant route segments and sites associated with the Old Spanish Trail. Beginning in FY 2018-19, this bill may minimally increase state revenue and will minimally increase state

expenditures on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 18-1351

		FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
Revenue	State Highway Fund	-	-
Expenditures	State Highway Fund	\$8,000	-
Transfers		-	-
TABOR Refund		-	-

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to mark significant route segments and sites associated with the Old Spanish Trail. CDOT may accept gifts, grants, or donations to implement this bill.

Background

The Old Spanish Trail was pioneered by Mexican trader Antonio Armijo in 1829, and was a horse and burro pack route that connected Santa Fe and Los Angeles by way of Colorado, Utah, and Nevada. After 1848, use of the trail diminished as the California Trail and other trails became the primary routes to California.

Assumptions

The fiscal note assumes that signs will be placed at approximately 20 crossings in southwest Colorado, requiring 40 signs to be placed in both directions. The fiscal note assumes that funds from the State Highway Fund (SHF) will be used to implement this bill; however, SHF expenditures may be reduced to the extent that CDOT receives any gifts, grants, or donations.

State Revenue

Beginning in FY 2018-19, revenue to the SHF may increase to the extent that CDOT receives gifts, grants, and donations to implement this bill. As of this writing, no gifts, grants, or donations have been identified. Gifts, grants, and donations are exempt from TABOR.

State Expenditures

In FY 2018-19, this bill will increase SHF expenditures in CDOT by \$8,000, or \$200 per sign for 40 signs. Expenditures will increase by a minimal amount each year thereafter to maintain the signs; it is expected that sign maintenance will be accomplished within existing CDOT appropriations.

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.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties Information Technology Public Safety

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