

HB 25-1057: AMERICAN INDIAN AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE

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Fiscal note status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as amended by the House Appropriation committee. This bill was recommended by the American Indian Affairs Interim Study Committee.

Summary Information

Overview. This bill creates the American Indian Affairs Interim Committee as a permanent interim committee through the 2030 legislative interim. The committee will first meet in the 2026 interim.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas through FY 2030-31:

State Expenditures

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact ¹	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year 1 FY 2026-27	Out Year 2 FY 2027-28
State Expenditures	\$0	\$51,314	\$51,314
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.4 FTE	0.4 FTE

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

Table 1A
State Expenditures

Fund Source	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year 1 FY 2026-27	Out Year 2 FY 2027-28
General Fund	\$0	\$43,507	\$43,507
Cash Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Centrally Appropriated	\$0	\$7,807	\$7,807
Total Expenditures	\$0	\$51,314	\$51,314
Total FTE	0.0 FTE	0.4 FTE	0.4 FTE

Summary of Legislation

During the 2024 legislative interim, the American Indian Affairs Interim Study Committee met as a temporary interim committee approved by the Legislative Council Committee. This bill creates the Legislative Interim Committee on American Indian Affairs as an ongoing interim committee for the 2026 through 2030 legislative interims. The committee consists of six legislators, including three members from each chamber. It may hold up to six meetings during each legislative interim and request up to five bills per year. The committee must prepare a final report on their actions over the previous five years by January 15, 2031.

State Expenditures

Starting in FY 2026-27, the bill increases General Fund expenditures in the Legislative Department by about \$51,000 per year through FY 2030-31. These costs are outlined in Table 2 and described below.

Table 2
State Expenditures
Legislative Department

Cost Component	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year 1 FY 2026-27	Out Year 2 FY 2027-28
Personal Services	\$0	\$30,521	\$30,521
Legislator Reimbursement and Per Diem	\$0	\$9,634	\$9,634
Travel Costs	\$0	\$3,352	\$3,352
Centrally Appropriated Costs	\$0	\$7,807	\$7,807
Total Costs	\$0	\$51,314	\$51,314
Total FTE	0.0 FTE	0.4 FTE	0.4 FTE

Staff

The Legislative Department requires 0.4 FTE to support the new committee, including policy and research staff support for meetings and committee research (0.3 FTE), and legal staff to draft legislation (0.1 FTE).

Legislator Reimbursement and Per Diem

The committee includes six members who meet six times per interim. Legislator reimbursements are estimated to cost \$9,634 per year. Costs are based on a per diem of \$111.95 for each legislator and travel reimbursements of \$124 per member per meeting at the Capitol and \$219 for meetings not at the Capitol.

Travel Costs

Additional travel costs include vehicle rental and support staff expenses. This cost estimate assumed two field trips per interim, both of which include overnight stays.

Centrally Appropriated Costs

Pursuant to a Joint Budget Committee policy, certain costs associated with this bill are addressed through the annual budget process and centrally appropriated in the Long Bill or supplemental appropriations bills, rather than in this bill. These costs, which may include employee insurance, supplemental employee retirement payments, leased space, and indirect cost assessments, are shown in the expenditure table above.

Effective Date

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

Legislative Legal Services

Legislative Department