



**Fiscal Note**  
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**SB 25-009: RECOGNITION OF TRIBAL COURT ORDERS**

**Prime Sponsors:**

Sen. Roberts; Danielson  
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**Bill Outcome:** Signed into Law  
**Drafting number:** LLS 25-0206

**Version:** Final Fiscal Note  
**Date:** June 4, 2025

**Fiscal note status:** The final fiscal note reflects the enacted bill which was recommended by the American Indian Affairs Interim Study Committee.

**Summary Information**

**Overview.** The bill requires various state agencies to recognize and enforce tribal court orders, arrest warrants, and behavioral health commitment orders.

**Types of impacts.** The bill is projected to affect the following areas:

- Minimal State Workload
- Local Government

**Appropriations.** No appropriation is required.

**Table 1**  
**State Fiscal Impacts**

| Type of Impact          | Budget Year<br>FY 2025-26 | Out Year<br>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

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The bill requires state courts, law enforcement, hospitals, behavioral health facilities, and health care providers to recognize and enforce tribal court orders, arrest warrants, and behavioral health commitment orders.

## State Expenditures

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Starting in FY 2025-26, workload to various state agencies—such as the Behavioral Health Administration, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, and other agencies that hire law enforcement officers—will increase to update policies and coordinate with tribal governments. Workload to coordinate with tribal governments is assumed to be minimal; therefore, no appropriations are required.

## Local Government

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Similar to the state, workload to local law enforcement agencies—such as municipal police departments and county sheriffs—may increase to update policies and work with tribal governments. This increase in workload is assumed to be minimal.

## Effective Date

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The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 5, 2025, and takes effect on August 6, 2025, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

## State and Local Government Contacts

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Behavioral Health Administration | Municipalities                |
| Counties                         | Natural Resources             |
| District Attorneys               | Public Health and Environment |
| Higher Education                 | Public Safety                 |
| Human Services                   | Revenue                       |
| Judicial                         | Sheriffs                      |

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The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).