

FINAL FISCAL NOTE

Nonpartisan Services for Colorado's Legislature

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Bill Topic: COLORADO REFUGEE SERVICES PROGRAM

No fiscal impact. The bill codifies the existing Colorado Refugee Services Program, Summary of

Fiscal Impact: and it is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill codifies the existing Colorado Refugee Services Program in the Department of Human Services (DHS). DHS is solely responsible for the development, review, and administration of the state plan under the federal Immigration and Nationality Act, which allows the state to receive federal funds. The program must provide refugees with cash and medical assistance and social services.

Background and Assessment

In 1994, the Governor, through executive order, authorized DHS to administer the Colorado Refugee Services Program. DHS currently administers the program under the state plan and operates with federal funds. This codification of an existing program will result in no change to state or local government revenue or expenditures. For this reason, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 28, 2019, and takes effect August 2, 2019, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

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