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HB 18-1238

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: SUNSET WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE TRAINING BOARD

Summary of Fiscal Impact: **Sunset bill. No fiscal impact.** House Bill 18-1238 sunsets the Wildland-Urban Interface Training Advisory Board in the Department of Public Safety, as scheduled on July 1, 2018. Because this advisory board completed its statutory charge in 2010 and the bill has no effect on state or local government revenue, expenditures, or workload, the bill has been assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

This bill implements the Department of Regulatory Agencies recommendation to allow the Wildland-Urban Interface Training Advisory Board to sunset on July 1, 2018.

Background

Any area where man-made improvements are built close to or within natural terrain and flammable vegetation and where a high potential for wildland fire exists is considered part of the wildland-urban interface. Created in 2008, the Wildland-Urban Interface Training Advisory Board (board) provided recommendations to the Division of Fire Prevention and Control in the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to implement a wild-land interface pilot program offering training courses to fire protection districts within the wildland-urban interface. The board consisted of five members, representing the Colorado State Forrest Service, county sheriffs, fire chiefs, special districts, and the Division of Emergency Management in the DPS. The board accomplished its statutory charge in 2010 and has not met since then. Using the board's recommendations, DPS developed a curriculum and held 8 regional training's with 46 fire protection districts attending. After 2011, this training was incorporated into other basic firefighting and wildland training programs offered by DPS.

The DPS currently offers wildland firefighting training using the Wildland-Urban Interface Training Fund. This fund and the firefighting training programs are not impacted by this bill and will be continued under current law.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

This bill has been assessed as having no fiscal impact. The sunset of the Wildland-Urban Interface Training Advisory Board on July 1, 2018, will have no impact on the DPS, counties, sheriffs, or special districts because the board no longer meets and no current funding or workload has been dedicated to the board.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect July 1, 2018.

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