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FINAL FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Priola Rep. Coleman	Bill Status:	Signed into Law
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Bill Topic: URBAN DRAINAGE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ELECTIONS

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

This bill clarifies election procedures for the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District. To the extent that the district enters into coordinated elections with member counties, the district must reimburse county clerks and recorders for election costs using a formula specified in the bill. These impacts are ongoing.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

This bill clarifies election procedures for the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District (district), and specifies that elections in the district can be held either independently or in coordination with the county clerks and recorders of the counties included in the district. The bill includes a formula to calculate the district's share of total costs if participating in a coordinated election. It also aligns various definitions with the Uniform Election Code, deletes a provision specifying the date that a resolution calling a district election must be called, and conforms elections for annexation to the requirements in the Colorado Local Government Election Code.

Background

The Urban Drainage and Flood Control District was established to assist local governments in the Denver metro area with multi-jurisdictional drainage and flood control problems. The district serves the counties of Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, and Jefferson. There are approximately 2.8 million people within the district.

Local Government

The bill specifies that Urban Drainage and Flood Control District elections may be held in coordination with the county clerk and recorder. Should an election be held in coordination with the counties included in the district, the cost owed to county clerk and recorders will vary widely depending on the number of voters and the number of entities coordinating in the election. Table 1 below shows the estimated share of costs the district would owe county clerks and recorders for a coordinated election, which is estimated to total approximately \$1.2 million per election.

Table 1
Coordinated Election Costs Paid to Counties by the
Urban Drainage and Flood Control District

County	Estimated Election Cost
Adams	\$160,000
Arapahoe	\$237,500
Boulder	\$68,400
Broomfield	\$45,000
Denver	\$267,000
Douglas	\$166,100
Jefferson	\$270,000
Total	\$1,214,000

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor, and takes effect March 7, 2018.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	County Clerks	Local Affairs
Secretary Of State	Special Districts	