

REVISED FISCAL NOTE

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BIII Topic: SUNSET COLD CASE TASK FORCE

Summary of □ State Revenue
Fiscal Impact: □ State Expenditure

□ State Transfer

☑ Local Government☐ Statutory Public Entity

□ TABOR Refund

Sunset bill. SB 19-163 continues the Cold Case Task Force in the Department of Public Safety, which is scheduled to repeal on September 1, 2019. State fiscal impacts under the bill include the continuation of the program's current expenditures and workload. The program is continued until September 1, 2026.

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Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

This fiscal note has been revised to reflect the reengrossed bill.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under SB-163

New Impacts		FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures		-	-
TABOR Refund		-	-
Continuing Program Impacts		FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21
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Continuing Program Revenue	mpacts Cash Funds	FY 2019-20 -	FY 2020-21
	-		FY 2020-21 - \$84,476
Revenue	Cash Funds	-	-

^{*} Table 1 shows the new impacts resulting from changes to the program under the bill, and the continuing impacts from extending the program beyond its current repeal date. Because the bill continues a program without making any changes, there are no new impacts. The continuing program impacts will end if the bill is not passed and the program is allowed to repeal.

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, the Cold Case Task Force repeals September 1, 2019. This bill continues the task force until September 1, 2026.

Background

Current law defines a cold case as a homicide investigation that is open for more than three years from the date of the crime. Currently in Colorado, there are more than 1,700 cold cases. The Cold Case Task Force in the Department of Public Safety was created in 2007 to review and make recommendations on cold case investigation and strategy best practices. The task force must meet at least 4 times per year and consists of 16 members including Department of Public Safety, Department of Law, sheriff, police, district attorney, victims advocacy, victim's family, and forensic pathologist members.

Continuing State Impacts

Based on the department's FY 2019-20 budget request, the Department of Public Safety is expected to have expenditures of \$84,476 for the Cold Case Task Force. This includes \$82,176 for 1.0 FTE that provides administrative support to the task force and \$2,300 for task force member expense reimbursements. If this bill is enacted, current expenditures will continue for the program starting in FY 2020-21. Workload for members of the task force representing the departments of Public Safety and Law also continues. If this bill is <u>not</u> enacted, the program will end on September 1, 2019, and expenditures and workload will decrease starting in FY 2020-21.

Continuing Local Government Impacts

Workload will continue for local task force members, including sheriff, police, and district attorney representatives to serve on the task force. This workload is assumed to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 2, 2019, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 3, 2019, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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