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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: TRANSPARENT STATE WEB PORTAL SEARCH RULES

- Summary of Fiscal Impact: State Revenue, TABOR Refund, State Expenditure, Local Government, State Transfer, Statewide Internet Portal Authority

The bill requires the Statewide Internet Portal Authority to create and host a rulemaking transparency website and mobile application that includes several state agency rulemaking notifications. The bill will increase state workload and statutory public entity expenditures on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Statewide Internet Portal Authority (SIPA) to create a transparency website and mobile application that includes information related to state agency rulemaking. State agencies are required to send notice of a rulemaking at least 45 days before the first public hearing, and the individual names of any person participating in rulemaking representatives groups, to be posted on the website and mobile application. These notification requirements are in addition to the current notification requirements and timelines established by the Secretary of State (SOS) and the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA).

Background

Statewide Internet Portal Authority. In 2004, the General Assembly created SIPA to create an efficient, effective, and user friendly statewide internet portal to serve as a place where citizens can electronically access state government information, products, and services. SIPA also provides e-government services to state and local governments. SIPA is an enterprise for purposes of Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution. SIPA is primarily funding by assessing administrative fees on certain transaction services.

Rulemaking notifications. Under current law, state agencies must make certain notifications and meet certain timeline requirements for rulemaking under the Administrative Procedures Act. State agencies send certain information to the SOS and DORA. This information is posted on the SOS's and DORA's websites.

State Expenditures

The bill may increase workload for all state agencies to provide additional information to SIPA. Workload will vary based on the number of rulemakings per state agency. These workload increases can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Statutory Public Entity

In FY 2020-21, the bill will increase expenditures in SIPA by approximately \$1.0 million to create the transparency website and mobile application. This estimate is based on a recently created portal for multiple state agencies. In addition, costs and workload will increase for ongoing system support and maintenance, as well as for staff to receive and post information. It is assumed these costs will be paid by SIPA using its existing revenue streams.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect January 1, 2021, if no referendum petition is filed. The bill applies to rulemaking occurring on or after the bill's effective date.

State and Local Government Contacts

All State Agencies