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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 21-0604 **Date:** June 15, 2021 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Lynch Bill Status: Postponed Indefinitely Sen. Cooke Fiscal Analyst: Erin Reynolds | 303-866-4146 Erin.Reynolds@state.co.us MISSING CHILD EMERGENCY ELECTRONIC LOCATION INFORMATION **Bill Topic:** Summary of ☐ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** ☐ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity This bill would have allowed law enforcement to obtain the location information on a missing child's telecommunications device from a wireless telecommunications provider without first obtaining a court order. It would have minimally reduced state and local government workloads beginning in FY 2021-22. **Appropriation** No appropriation was required. **Summary: Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. This bill was not enacted into law; therefore, Status: the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary of Legislation

This bill allows law enforcement to obtain the location information on a missing child's telecommunications device from a wireless telecommunications provider without first obtaining a court order when an emergency situation exists and if the request is made by the child's parent or legal guardian. Location information cannot be requested if the parent or legal guardian is restrained from doing so by an active protection order or if a law enforcement agency has an articulable reason to believe there is a custodial issue that has not been reviewed by a court.

State Expenditures and Local Government

The bill minimally decreases workload for state and local law enforcement agencies, as well as the Judicial Department and local courts, by removing the need for court orders in a small number of cases. No change in appropriations is required.

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Effective Date

The bill was postponed indefinitely by the House Judiciary Committee on April 7, 2021.

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