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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: Date: June 17, 2021 **Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Donovan Bill Status: Postponed Indefinitely Rep. Titone Fiscal Analyst: Erin Reynolds | 303-866-4146 Erin.Reynolds@state.co.us **Bill Topic:** DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS REGULATION Summary of ☐ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** ☐ Local Government ☐ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity The bill would have required the Joint Technology Committee to study whether and how the General Assembly could address, through legislation, consumer protection concerns related to digital communications platforms during the 2021 legislative interim. It would have increased state workload in FY 2021-22. **Appropriation** No appropriation was required. Summary: **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects reengrossed bill. This bill was not enacted into law; therefore, Status: the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Joint Technology Committee (JTC) to study whether and how the General Assembly could address, through legislation, consumer protection concerns related to digital communications platforms during the 2021 legislative interim. The JTC is required to consult with the Office of Information Technology and the Attorney General's office, and may consult with other agencies or interest persons.

The Joint Technology Committee must submit a written report on its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 1, 2022. If the committee recommends legislation, it is exempt from a member's five-bill limitation. The bill is repealed on September 1, 2022.

State Expenditures

The bill increases workload in the Legislative Department, the Office of Information Technology, and the Office of the Attorney General in FY 2021-22. Legislative Council Staff will work with the Joint Technology Committee to arrange for the meetings required under the bill and perform reporting during the 2021 legislative interim. The Offices of Information Technology and the Attorney General will provide presentations to the committee. No change in appropriations is required for any agency.

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Technical Note

The bill's petition clause limits the amount of time the JTC has during the 2021 legislative interim to study the issues under the bill.

Effective Date

The bill was postponed indefinitely by the House State, Civic, Military, and Veterans Affairs Committee on May 6, 2021.

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