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# **Final Fiscal Note**

**Drafting Number:** LLS 21-0847 **Date:** June 10, 2021 **Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Donovan **Bill Status:** Postponed Indefinitely Fiscal Analyst: Anna Gerstle | 303-866-4375 Rep. Cutter Anna.Gerstle@state.co.us **Bill Topic: EVENT TICKET SALES AND RESALES REGULATION** Summary of ☐ TABOR Refund Fiscal Impact: ☐ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity The bill would have made changes to state law related to ticket sales. It would have increased state and local workload by a minimal amount on an ongoing basis, and potentially increased state revenue. **Appropriation** No appropriation would have been required. Summary: **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. The bill was enacted into law; therefore, Status: the impacts identified in this fiscal note do not take effect.

# **Summary of Legislation**

The bill makes changes to state law related to ticket sales. Specifically, the bill:

- repeals the prohibition against placing restrictions on the resale of a ticket;
- allows terms and conditions, including limits on transferability, to be placed on the original sale of the ticket;
- repeals the prohibition against denying access to an event based solely on the grounds that a ticket was resold through an unapproved reseller; and
- prohibits a reseller from advertising, selling, or accepting payment for tickets unless the reseller
  has possession of the ticket or a written contract to obtain the ticket, and the ticket matches its
  advertised description.

As it relates to online ticket sales, the bill makes it a deceptive trade practice to use a website to display a trademarked or copyrighted URL, title, image, text, web design, web addresses similar to another website without written consent.

## **State Revenue and Expenditures**

The bill increases state workload by a minimal amount, and may increase state revenue. Workload in the Department of Law will minimally increase to the extent that deceptive trade practice complaints are filed. The department will review complaints under the bill and prioritize investigations as necessary within the overall number of deceptive trade practice complaints and available resources. To the extent the bill increases civil cases related to the deceptive trade practice, workload in the trial courts in the Judicial Department will increase by a minimal amount. No change in appropriations is required. Deceptive trade practice complaints may result in civil penalties, which are credited to the General Fund and are subject to the state's TABOR limit.

#### **Local Government**

Similar to the state, to the extent district attorneys receive deceptive trade practice complaints related to ticketing, workload will increase to investigate complaints and seek relief when appropriate.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill was postponed indefinitely by Senate Business, Labor, and Technology Committee on April 5, 2021.

### **State and Local Government Contacts**

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