



## Fiscal Note

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## HB 26-1092: LICENSED MIDWIFE PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITY PRIVILEGES

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### Summary Information

**Overview.** The bill prohibits public health facilities from denying full medical staff privileges to certified nurse midwives and certified midwives based solely on their licensure.

**Types of impacts.** The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- Minimal State Workload

**Appropriations.** No appropriation is required.

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**Table 1**  
**State Fiscal Impacts**

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2026-27	Out Year FY 2027-28
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

## Summary of Legislation

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The bill prohibits public health facilities from denying full medical staff privileges to certified nurse midwives and certified midwives based solely on their licensure. The privileges must include the ability to admit and discharge patients directly without requiring a physician's cosignature, be consistent with privileges granted to other medical staff, and include the same voting rights as other staff.

## State Expenditures

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### Licensing Agencies

The bill minimally increases workload in the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and the Department of Regulatory Agencies to provide outreach and information to public health facilities and licensed health care professionals, respectively, regarding the requirements in this bill. This work can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

### State Employee Insurance and Medicaid

The bill may minimally impact insurance-related expenditures, as there is the potential for minor shifts in care delivery or utilization, and admission or discharge timing. These changes are expected to be minimal.

## Effective Date

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The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

## State and Local Government Contacts

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Health Care Policy and Financing

Public Health and Environment

Higher Education

Regulatory Agencies

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The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).