



## Fiscal Note

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## HB 26-1252: UPDATES TO STATE EMER RESPONSE DEPTS & DIVS

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### Summary Information

**Overview.** The bill makes multiple changes to statutes concerning the state response to emergencies and natural disasters.

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

- Minimal State Revenue
- 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 makes numerous changes to the statutes concerning the state's response to emergencies and natural disasters. Notable among its many changes, this bill:

- creates the State Recovery Task Force in the Office of Emergency Management in the Department of Public Safety (CDPS) to coordinate disaster recovery efforts within the state;
- transfers certain responsibilities related to the state's preparation and response to security threats from the Office of Preparedness to the Office of Emergency Management;
- relaxes application requirements for the Colorado Nonprofit Security Grant Program during emergency situations;
- modifies the composition of several state advisory boards related to homeland security and cybersecurity; and,
- permits the Office of Public Safety Communications to enter contracts allowing private entities to use the public safety communications network.

## State Revenue and Expenditures

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The bill's changes are primarily designed to clarify responsibilities and remove duplicative duties in the CDPS related to emergency management. Workload in the CDPS increases minimally to modify internal documentation and procedures to comport with the bill's changes. These efforts do not require additional appropriations. Should multiple private entities seek contracts to access the public safety communications network, it is assumed those entities will provide sufficient revenue to pay for services provide by the CDPS. If necessary, the department will seek additional spending authority from the Public Safety Communications Revolving Cash Fund through the annual budget process. No additional appropriations are required.

## 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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Public Safety

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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](#).