



Fiscal Note

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HB 26-1395: REPEAL WILDFIRE RESILIENT HOMES GRANT PROGRAM

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill repeals the Wildfire Resilient Homes Grant Program in the Colorado Department of Public Safety, and transfers the balance of the program's cash fund to the General Fund.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis starting in the current FY 2025-26:

- Minimal State Workload
- State Transfers

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

| Type of Impact ¹ | Current Year FY 2025-26 | Budget Year FY 2026-27 | Out Year FY 2027-28 |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| State Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| State Expenditures | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Transferred Funds | \$53,790 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Change in TABOR Refunds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Change in State FTE | 0.0 FTE | 0.0 FTE | 0.0 FTE |

Fund sources for these impacts are shown in the tables below.

Table 1A
State Transfers

| Fund Source | Current Year FY 2025-26 | Budget Year FY 2026-27 | Out Year FY 2027-28 |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Fund | \$53,790 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Cash Funds | -\$53,790 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Net Transfer | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

Summary of Legislation

The bill repeals the Wildfire Resilient Homes Grant Program in the Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS) on July 1, 2026. The State Treasurer must transfer the balance of the program's cash fund to the General Fund on June 30, 2026.

Background

[House Bill 23-1273](#) established the Wildfire Resilient Homes Grant Program in the CDPS. That bill included a one-time General Fund transfer of \$100,000 to the program's cash fund, which is subject to annual appropriation. According to [a 2024 report](#), the CDPS paid out about \$50,000 to grant recipients. Based on the [FY 2024-25 Appropriations Report](#), the CDPS did not receive spending authority in FY 2024-25, and thus the remaining funds, and any accrued interest, are unexpended to date.

The CDPS indicates that the current balance of the program's cash fund is \$53,789.34.

State Transfers

The fiscal note estimates that \$53,790 will be transferred from the Wildlife Resilient Homes Grant Program Cash Fund to the General Fund in the current FY 2025-26. The actual amount transferred may vary by a minimal amount due to the interest accumulated on the balance of the fund through the effective date of the bill.

State Expenditures

Starting in FY 2026-27, the bill decreases workload in the CDPS because the grant program is repealed. Since the CDPS has not received appropriations for the program in recent years, the fiscal note assumes that no change in appropriations is required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

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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](#).