



Fiscal Note

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SB 26-098: STATE & LOCAL NOISE ABATEMENT AUTHORITY

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Bill Outcome: Postponed Indefinitely

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Version: Final Fiscal Note

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Fiscal note status: The final fiscal note reflects the reengrossed bill. This bill was postponed indefinitely by the House Transportation, Housing & Local Government Committee on April 14, 2026; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill would have clarified the exceptions to statewide standards for noise level limits and authorized local jurisdictions to adopt standards above those limits.

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

- Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

**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

The bill clarifies the exceptions to statewide standards for noise level limits to include the use of property:

- owned or controlled by the state or a political subdivision of the state;
- pursuant to a permit or license issued by a local government that addresses sound emitted; and
- owned or controlled by a nonprofit entity for a cultural, entertainment, athletic, or patriotic event.

The bill does not preempt or limit the authority of a political subdivision having jurisdiction to regulate noise abatement or offer exemptions.

Local Government

The bill may increase the workload for local governments to change their ordinances or to process noise hardship permits to allow noise levels above those allowed under state law.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties

Public Health and Environment

Municipalities

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](#).