

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

April 22, 2026
Date

Committee on Appropriations.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB26-149 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 197, after line 8 insert:

2 "SECTION 45. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-75-302, **amend**
3 (2)(uu) and (2)(vv); and **add** (2)(ww) as follows:

4 **24-75-302. Capital construction fund - capital assessment fees**
5 **- calculation - information technology capital account - repeal.**

6 (2) The controller shall transfer a sum as specified in this
7 subsection (2) from the general fund to the capital construction fund as
8 money becomes available in the general fund during the fiscal year
9 beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year in which the transfer is made or on
10 the date otherwise specified for the transfer. Transfers between funds
11 pursuant to this subsection (2) are not appropriations subject to the
12 limitations of section 24-75-201.1. The amounts transferred pursuant to
13 this subsection (2) are as follows:

14 (uu) On July 1, 2024, one hundred sixty-two million seven
15 hundred seventy-eight thousand two hundred eighty-five dollars; ~~and~~

16 (vv) On July 1, 2025, one hundred twenty-nine million four
17 hundred ninety-eight thousand thirty-three dollars; AND

18 (ww) THREE DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS
19 SUBSECTION (2)(ww), THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN
20 THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT DOLLARS.

21 **SECTION 46. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2025-26 state fiscal
22 year, \$535,934 is appropriated to the department of human services. This
23 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
24 department may use this appropriation as follows:

25 (a) \$485,934 for the wheat ridge regional center intermediate care
26 facility; and

27 (b) \$50,000 for skilled nursing contracted beds.

1 **SECTION 47. Capital construction appropriation.** For the
2 2025-26 state fiscal year, \$3,577,898 is appropriated to the department of
3 human services for use by office of civil and forensic mental health. This
4 appropriation is from the capital construction fund created in section 24-
5 75-302 (1)(a), C.R.S. To implement this act, the office may use this
6 appropriation for capital construction related to the renovation of a unit
7 at the Colorado mental health hospital in Pueblo to create enhanced
8 protective placements for people with intellectual and developmental
9 disabilities. Any money appropriated in this section not expended prior
10 to July 1, 2026, is further appropriated to the department from July 1,
11 2026, through June 30, 2029, for the same purpose.

12 **SECTION 48. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2026-27 state fiscal
13 year, \$6,079,632 is appropriated to the judicial department. This
14 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
15 department may use this appropriation as follows:

16 (a) \$127,618 for use by supreme court and court of appeals for
17 appellate court programs, which amount is based on an assumption that
18 the division will require an additional 1.0 FTE;

19 (b) \$316,323 for use by state courts administration for general
20 courts administration, which amount is based on an assumption that the
21 division will require an additional 2.0 FTE;

22 (c) \$1,113,774 for use by state courts administration for
23 information technology infrastructure;

24 (d) \$181,500 for use by state courts administration for capital
25 outlay;

26 (e) \$555,000 for use by state courts administration for courthouse
27 information technology capital outlay, which amount remains available
28 for expenditure through the close of the 2027-28 state fiscal year;

29 (f) \$2,208,080 for use by trial courts for trial court programs,
30 which amount is based on an assumption that the division will require an
31 additional 21.0 FTE; and

32 (g) \$1,577,337 for use by trial courts for court cost, jury costs,
33 court-appointed counsel, and reimbursements for vacated convictions.

34 (2) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$648,860 is appropriated to
35 the judicial department for use by the office of the state public defender.
36 This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
37 department may use this appropriation as follows:

38 (a) \$411,405 for personal services, which amount is based on an
39 assumption that the office will require an additional 4.5 FTE;

40 (b) \$5,760 for operating expenses;

41 (c) \$28,000 for capital outlay;

42 (d) \$570 for attorney registration;

43 (e) \$4,000 for training; and

1 (f) \$199,125 for mandated costs.

2 (3) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$206,345 is appropriated to
3 the judicial department for use by the alternate defense counsel. This
4 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
5 department may use this appropriation for conflict-of-interest contracts.

6 (4) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$513,808 is appropriated to
7 the judicial department for use by the office of public guardianship. This
8 appropriation is from the general fund and is based on an assumption that
9 the office will require an additional 5.5 FTE. To implement this act, the
10 office may use this appropriation for program costs.

11 (5) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$458,898 is appropriated to
12 the judicial department for use by the office of bridges of Colorado. This
13 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the office
14 may use this appropriation as follows:

15 (a) \$425,394 for personal services, which amount is based on an
16 assumption that the office will request an additional 4.3 FTE; and

17 (b) \$33,504 for operating expenses.

18 **SECTION 49. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2026-27 state fiscal
19 year, \$133,795 is appropriated to the department of health care policy and
20 financing for use by the executive director's office. This appropriation is
21 from the general fund and is based on an assumption that the department
22 will require an additional 3.0 FTE. To implement this act, the department
23 may use this appropriation for personal services.

24 (2) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, the general assembly
25 anticipates that the department of health care policy and financing will
26 receive \$133,794 in federal funds for personal services to implement this
27 act. The appropriation in subsection (1) of this section is based on the
28 assumption that the department will receive this amount of federal funds,
29 which is subject to the "(I)" notation as defined in the annual general
30 appropriation act for the same fiscal year.

31 **SECTION 50. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2026-27 state fiscal
32 year, \$1,751,732 is appropriated to the department of health care policy
33 and financing. This appropriation is from the general fund, which is
34 subject to the "(M)" notation as defined in the annual general
35 appropriation act for the same fiscal year. To implement this act, the
36 department may use this appropriation for medical and long-term care
37 services for medicaid eligible individuals.

38 (2) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, the general assembly
39 anticipates that the department of health care policy and financing will
40 receive \$1,751,732 in federal funds for medical and long-term care
41 services for medicaid eligible individuals to implement this act. The
42 appropriation in subsection (1) of this section is based on the assumption
43 that the department will receive this amount of federal funds.

1 (3) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$3,503,464 is appropriated
2 to the department of human services. This appropriation is from
3 reappropriated funds received from the department of health care policy
4 and financing under subsections (1) and (2) of this section. To implement
5 this act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:

6 (a) \$316,512 for use by the executive director's office for health,
7 life, and dental;

8 (b) \$562,932 for use by the office of civil and forensic mental
9 health for personal services related to the mental health institute at
10 pueblo;

11 (b) \$806,912 for use by the office of civil and forensic mental
12 health for operating expenses related to the mental health institute at
13 pueblo;

14 (c) \$40,500 for use by the office of civil and forensic mental
15 health for capital outlay related to the mental health institute at pueblo;

16 (d) \$996,722 for use by the office of civil and forensic mental
17 health for skilled nursing contract beds; and

18 (e) \$779,886 for use by the office of adults, aging, and disability
19 services for the wheat ridge regional center intermediate care facility,
20 which amount is based on an assumption the office will require an
21 additional 9.0 FTE.

22 **SECTION 51. Appropriation.** (1) For 2026-27 state fiscal year,
23 \$1,042,386 is appropriated to the department of human services for use
24 by the executive director's office. This appropriation is from the general
25 fund. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation
26 as follows:

27 (a) \$598,806 for health, life, and dental;

28 (b) \$2,952 for short-term disability;

29 (c) \$18,974 for paid family and medical leave; and

30 (d) \$421,654 for unfunded liability amortization payments.

31 (2) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$684,052 is appropriated to
32 the department of human services for use by the behavioral health
33 administration. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement
34 this act, the administration may use this appropriation as follows:

35 (a) \$284,052 for program administration, which amount is based
36 on an assumption that the administration will require an additional 3.0
37 FTE; and

38 (b) \$400,000 for behavioral health safety net services.

39 (3) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$14,621,347 is appropriated
40 to the department of human services for use by the office of civil and
41 forensic mental health. This appropriation is from the general fund. To
42 implement this act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:

43 (a) \$62,548 for personal services related to the mental health

1 institute at pueblo, which amount is based on an assumption the office
2 will require an additional 9.1 FTE;

3 (b) \$89,656 operating expenses related to the mental health
4 institute at pueblo;

5 (c) \$4,500 for capital outlay related to the mental health institute
6 at pueblo;

7 (d) \$9,385,100 for purchased psychiatric bed capacity;

8 (e) \$427,167 for skilled nursing contracted beds;

9 (f) \$1,165,199 for evaluations and discharge services, which
10 amount is based on an assumption that the office will require an
11 additional 6.0 FTE;

12 (g) \$3,144,833 for care coordination, which amount is based on
13 an assumption that the office will require an additional 36.0 FTE; and

14 (h) \$342,344 for data and information technology, which amount
15 is based on an assumption the office will require an additional 4.0 FTE;

16 **SECTION 52. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2026-27 state fiscal
17 year, \$270,017 is appropriated to the department of human services. This
18 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
19 department may use this appropriation for the purchase of legal services.

20 (2) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$270,017 is appropriated to
21 the department of law. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds
22 received from the department of human services under subsection (1) of
23 this section and is based on an assumption that the department of law will
24 require an additional 1.1 FTE. To implement this act, the department of
25 law may use this appropriation to provide legal services for the
26 department of human services.

27 **SECTION 53. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2026-27 state fiscal
28 year, \$52,644 is appropriated to the department of human services. This
29 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
30 department may use this appropriation for the purchase of information
31 technology services.

32 (2) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$52,644 is appropriated to
33 the office of the governor for use by the office of information technology.
34 This appropriation is from reappropriated funds received from the
35 department of human services under subsection (1) of this section. To
36 implement this act, the office may use this appropriation to provide
37 information technology services for the department of human services."

38 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

39 Page 1, line 102, strike "**DISORDERS.**" and substitute "**DISORDERS, AND,**
40 **IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**".

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