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**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Primavera
Sen. Crowder

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Bill Status: Signed into Law
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BILL TOPIC: SUNSET INFECTION CONTROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018	
This bill continues a program that would otherwise end June 30, 2016, so the fiscal note shows the continuing fiscal impacts.	New	New	Continuation
State Expenditures		<\$500	
General Fund	\$0	\$0	<\$500
Appropriation Required: None.			
Future Year Impacts: Program costs continue through FY 2020-21.			

Summary of Legislation

The bill continues the Infection Control Advisory Committee until September 1, 2021. The advisory committee is currently scheduled to sunset on July 1, 2016. The bill also updates terminology in statute relating to "health care-associated infections" and modifies the membership criteria for certain advisory committee members.

Background

Under current law, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) collects data on hospital-acquired infections rates for specified clinical procedures, including cardiac surgical site infections, orthopedic surgical site infections, and central line-related bloodstream infections. The Infection Control Advisory Committee advises the CDPHE on issues relating to data collection and disclosure concerning these hospital-acquired infections. The advisory committee may also recommend additional procedures for which infection data must be collected.

The advisory committee consists of 15 members, including infection control practitioners, physicians, health care professionals, and representatives from hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, health insurers, and health care consumers. Members serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for expenses.

Fiscal Impact of Programs Set to Expire

This bill continues an advisory committee in the CDHPE that is set to repeal effective July 1, 2016. Under current law, state agencies may be appropriated funds to wind up the affairs of an expiring program for 12 months following the repeal date. To account for the wind-up period, the impact of extending the program beyond the current repeal date is shown as beginning in FY 2017-18, one year after the repeal date. There is no need for an appropriation of the base funding in FY 2016-17, since the program's authorization has not yet expired, and ongoing funding for the advisory committee is included in the CDPHE's base budget request.

Based on current expenditures, costs to continue the advisory committee are expected to be less than \$500 per year beginning in FY 2017-18. These costs are to reimburse travel expenses for committee members that travel to committee meetings from outside the Denver metro area. Costs are paid from the General Fund. No new costs will be incurred under the bill beyond these continuation costs.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on April 15, 2016.

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