

Colorado Legislative Council Staff

REVISED FISCAL NOTE

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

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Prime Sponsor(s):	Rep. Valdez Sen. Coram		House Appropriations Amanda Hayden (303-866-4918)

BILL TOPIC: USEFUL PUBLIC SERVICE CASH FUND

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019			
State Revenue	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>			
<i>State transfers</i> General Fund Cash Funds	(25,000) 25,000	(25,00) 25,000			
State Expenditures					
Appropriation Required: None.					
Future Year Impacts: Ongoing transfer of state revenue.					

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, a person sentenced by the court to perform useful public service (community service) can be assessed a fee of up to \$120, paid to the agency responsible for overseeing the person's participation. The bill, **as amended by the House Judiciary Committee,** creates the Useful Public Service Cash Fund, into which the fees collected in counties where the Judicial Department operates the local community service program must be transferred and used for the administration of such programs.

State Revenue

This summary shows changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. Transfers result in no net change to state revenue.

State transfers. Currently the Judicial Department operates community service programs in the 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 16th judicial districts. Offenders doing community service in those districts write a check to the Office of the State Court Administrator, which is then deposited into the Judicial Department's Fund 1000, the General Fund. Across the five districts, the department collected \$219,395 in FY 2013-14, \$201,248 in FY 2014-15, and \$184,780 in FY 2015-16. Most of this money is used to pay the expenses of community service programs in these districts. Any unexpended funds at the end of the fiscal year revert to the General Fund. About \$25,000 per year, on average, over the past several years has reverted to the General Fund. Under the bill, all revenue collected by the Judicial Department from the community service fee will be credited

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to the cash fund and used to pay community service program expenses. Unexpended funds will remain in the cash fund and roll over from fiscal year to fiscal year. There is no net change to state revenue.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 9, 2017, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 10, 2017, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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