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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: SUNSET CONTINUE CONSUMER INSURANCE COUNCIL

- Summary of Fiscal Impact: State Revenue, State Expenditure (minimal), State Transfer, TABOR Refund, Local Government, Statutory Public Entity

Sunset bill. HB 18-1149 continues the Consumer Insurance Council in the Department of Regulatory Agencies, which is scheduled to repeal on July 1, 2018. State fiscal impacts under the bill include only the continuation of the program's current expenditures. The program is continued indefinitely.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under HB-1149*

Table with 3 columns: Impact Category, FY 2018-19, FY 2019-20. Rows include New Impacts (Revenue, Expenditures) and Continuing Program Impacts (Revenue, Expenditures).

* Table 1 shows the new impacts resulting from changes to the program under the bill, and the continuing impacts from extending the program beyond its current repeal date. Because the bill continues a program without making any substantive changes, there are no new fiscal impacts. The continuing program impacts will end if the bill is not passed and the program is allowed to repeal.

Summary of Legislation

This bill continues indefinitely the Consumer Insurance Council in the Department of Regulatory Agencies, which is scheduled to repeal on July 1, 2018. It repeals the authority for the council to issue an annual consumers' choice award to a health insurance carrier.

Background

The Consumer Insurance Council was created in 2008 to advise the Commissioner of Insurance on matters of interest to the public. The council can have up to 15 members representing consumer organizations and acts by consensus. Council members who live outside of the Denver metropolitan area may be reimbursed for mileage. If the council meets outside of Denver, members who travel may also be reimbursed for mileage.

Continuing Program Impacts

The Department of Regulatory Agencies has expenditures of approximately \$1,200 per year to support the council, which are included in the Division of Insurance budget. If this bill is enacted, current expenditures will continue for the program starting in FY 2018-19. If this bill is not enacted, the program will end on July 1, 2018 and state expenditures will decrease starting in FY 2018-19 by the amounts shown in Table 1. No change in appropriations is required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect July 1, 2018.

State and Local Government Contacts

Regulatory Agencies