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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DELEGATION LAND USE DECISIONS

**Summary of
Fiscal Impact:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue | <input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity |

This bill allows a county commission to delegate planning powers to the county planning commission. This bill impacts state and local government workload by a minimal amount.

**Appropriation
Summary:** No appropriation required.

**Fiscal Note
Status:** This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

This bill authorizes a board of county commissioners to delegate by resolution any planning powers it has to the county planning commission, except for creating fines and penalties. The right to appeal a planning decision to the board of county commissioners must be retained.

Background

County planning commissions review and decide on planning and zoning matters within the county, such as rezoning requests, land use code rules and regulations, land use amendments, and planning design standards.

State Expenditures

For FY 2018-19 only, this bill increases workload by a minimal amount in the Division of Local Government in the Department of Local Affairs. The division provides training to counties on planning matters and workload is increased to update policies, procedures, and training materials.

Local Government

By allowing county commission planning functions to be delegated to the planning commission, this bill shifts county planning workload from the board of county commissioners to the planning commission to the extent that such powers are delegated. Overall, any impacts resulting from this bill are expected to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect September 1, 2018.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties Local Affairs