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**FISCAL NOTE**

<b>Drafting Number:</b>	LLS 19-0474	<b>Date:</b>	January 10, 2019
<b>Prime Sponsors:</b>	Rep. Rich; Roberts Sen. Woodward	<b>Bill Status:</b>	House Trans. & Local Govt.
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**Bill Topic:** REMOVE FEE CAP ELEC INSPECTION LOC GOV HIGHER ED

<b>Summary of Fiscal Impact:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue ( <i>minimal</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure ( <i>minimal</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
	<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

This bill removes the cap on the fees local governments and institutions of higher education can charge for electrical inspections. It creates a minimal workload increase for the Department of Regulatory Agencies and may increase revenue for local governments and institutions of higher education.

**Appropriation Summary:** No appropriation is required.

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

**Summary of Legislation**

Under current law, local governments and institutions of higher education may only assess up to 15 percent more than the state's fees for electrical inspections. This bill removes this cap on the fees local governments and institutions of higher education may assess for electrical inspections.

**Background**

The State Electrical Board, within the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA), regulates electricians, apprentices, and electrical contractors in Colorado. The state, along with local governments and institutions of higher education, may conduct electrical inspections.

State residential electrical inspections range from \$67 to \$135, with additional fees for living areas greater than 2,001 square feet. Commercial fees are based on the valuation of installation, with base fees starting at \$67.

**State Revenue**

This bill will increase revenue for institutions of higher education that choose to raise their fees for electrical inspections. This revenue is not subject to TABOR.

**State Expenditures**

The State Electrical Board in DORA will have a minimal workload increase to conduct education and outreach. This increase can be accomplished within existing resources.

**Local Governments**

This bill will increase revenue for local governments that choose to raise their fees for electrical inspections. Currently 17 counties and 32 municipalities conduct inspections. Any fee change will vary by jurisdiction.

**Effective Date**

The bill takes effect August 2, 2019, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 3, 2019, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

Counties	Higher Education	Information Technology
Municipalities	Regulatory Agencies	