

# **FINAL FISCAL NOTE**

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□ TABOR Refund

REPEAL FEE CAP ON-SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM PERMITS **Bill Topic:** 

Summary of □ State Revenue Fiscal Impact: □ State Expenditure

 □ Local Government □ State Transfer □ Statutory Public Entity

This bill removes the \$1,000 cap on fees local governments can charge for on-site wastewater treatment system permits. It will increase revenue for local governments

that have not been recovering their indirect and direct costs for permits.

**Appropriation Summary:** 

No appropriation is required.

**Fiscal Note** Status:

The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

## **Summary of Legislation**

Under current law, local boards of health may set fees for on-site wastewater treatment system. permits to offset the actual indirect and direct costs associated with the permit not to exceed \$1,000. This bill removes the \$1,000 fee cap. Upon request, the local board of health shall provide the permittee with a statement that specifies how the permit fee was calculated.

#### **Local Government**

This bill increases revenue to local boards of health that choose to raise on-site wastewater treatment system permit fees above the current \$1,000 cap. Local boards of health with permit costs that exceed the fee cap subsidize their costs with county general funds. To the extent that revenue increases have not been exempted from TABOR limits by voters in affected local jurisdictions, the amount required to be refunded to taxpayers under TABOR will increase in years when there is a TABOR surplus.

### **Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on March 11, 2020, and takes effect September 14, 2020, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

HB 20-1094

# **State and Local Government Contacts**

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