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Bill Topic: HOMELESS YOUTH SERVICES ACT AND GRANT PROGRAM

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

This bill repeals, reenacts, and makes updates to the Office of Homeless Youth Services in the Department of Local Affairs and creates a new grant program. This bill increases state expenditures through FY 2023-24.

Appropriation Summary: This bill requires an appropriation of \$1.3 million to the Department of Local Affairs.

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

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 20-1122

Table with 4 columns: Category, Sub-category, FY 2020-21, FY 2021-22. Rows include Revenue, Expenditures (General Fund, Centrally Appropriated, Total), Total FTE, Transfers, and TABOR Refund.

## Summary of Legislation

This bill repeals, reenacts, and makes updates to the Office of Homeless Youth Services in the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA). In addition, the bill creates a new grant program to award up to five grants of \$250,000 each to existing organizations that provide a variety of services to homeless youth as outlined in the bill. Grants must be awarded by January 1, 2021. DOLA is required to submit a report to the General Assembly by March 1, 2023, summarizing the status of youth experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness and the impact of the grant program. The grant program is repealed on July 1, 2023.

## State Expenditures

General Fund expenditures in DOLA will increase by approximately \$1.3 million and 0.3 FTE in FY 2020-21 and by \$35,498 and 0.3 FTE in FY 2021-22 as shown in Table 2 and discussed below.

**Table 2**  
**Expenditures Under HB 2020-1122**

	<b>FY 2020-21</b>	<b>FY 2021-22</b>
<b>Department of Local Affairs</b>		
Personal Services	\$19,252	\$28,879
Grant Rewards	\$1,250,000	-
Centrally Appropriated Costs*	\$6,694	\$6,619
FTE – Personal Services	0.3 FTE	0.3 FTE
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$1,275,946</b>	<b>\$35,498</b>
<b>Total FTE</b>	<b>0.3 FTE</b>	<b>0.3 FTE</b>

\* Centrally appropriated costs are not included in the bill's appropriation.

**Department of Local Affairs.** Starting in FY 2020-21, DOLA requires 0.3 FTE to promulgate rules for the program, review applications, award grants, oversee the program, and report to the General Assembly. Costs for FY 2020-21 are prorated for the General Fund paydate shift and an August 1, start date, and are based on the costs of awarding the grants described below.

*Grant awards.* In FY 2020-21, expenditures in DOLA will increase by up to \$1.25 million to award up to five grants of \$250,000 each. The actual grant amount awarded will depend on the amount of money appropriated to the grant program. It is assumed that grants awarded in FY 2020-21 will be used by recipients across multiple years through the program's repeal on July 1, 2023.

**Department of Public Health and Environment.** Starting in FY 2020-21, workload to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment will increase to the extent it is consulted by DOLA. No change in appropriations is required.

**Centrally appropriated costs.** Pursuant to a Joint Budget Committee policy, certain costs associated with this bill are addressed through the annual budget process and centrally appropriated in the Long Bill or supplemental appropriations bills, rather than in this bill. These costs, which include employee insurance supplemental employee retirement payments, and leased space, are estimated to be \$6,694 in FY 2020-21 and \$6,619 in FY 2021-22.

### **Technical Note**

Under the timeline established by the bill, the earliest that rules could be adopted through the normal rulemaking process is December 15, 2020. This allows just two weeks to make awards, which is a difficult timeline for the department to meet.

### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect August 5, 2020, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2020, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

### **State Appropriations**

In FY 2020-21, this bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$1,269,252 and 0.3 FTE to the Department of Local Affairs.

### **State and Local Government Contacts**

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