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LLS 20-0629 Sen. Garcia; Hisey

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Bill Topic:

STATE PARKS IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

- □ TABOR Refund
- □ Local Government
- □ Statutory Public Entity

The bill appropriates \$6.0 million to the Department of Natural Resources to open a new state park at Fishers Peak and improve infrastructure and amenities at existing state parks. It increases state revenue on an ongoing basis and expenditures for up

to three years beginning in the current FY 2019-20.

Appropriation Summary:

For FY 2019-20, the bill appropriates \$6.0 million to the Department of Natural

Resources.

Fiscal Note Status:

The revised fiscal note reflects the reengrossed bill.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 20-003

| | | FY 2019-20 | FY 2020-21 | FY 2021-22 |
|--------------|---|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Revenue | Cash Funds | - | \$30,000 | \$150,000 |
| Expenditures | Capital Construction Fund | \$6.0 million | - | - |
| Transfers | General Fund Capital Construction Fund | (\$6.0 million) \$6.0 million | - | |
| | Total | \$0 | - | - |
| TABOR Refund | | - | - | - |

Summary of Legislation

The bill transfers \$6.0 million from the General Fund to the Capital Construction Fund and appropriates it to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The appropriation is for infrastructure to facilitate the opening of a new state park surrounding Fishers Peak and infrastructure improvements and maintenance to address increased visitation at existing state parks.

State Revenue

The bill will increase state cash fund revenue by an estimated \$30,000 in FY 2020-21, and \$150,000 in FY 2021-22. Revenue will come from user fees from additional visitors made possible by the opening of a new state park and expanded infrastructure, such as campgrounds, at existing state parks. State parks are an enterprise under TABOR; therefore, revenue is not subject to the TABOR limit.

Table 2
Revenue Under SB 20-003

| | FY 2019-20 | FY 2020-21 | FY 2021-22 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| Department of Natural Resources | | | |
| Passes for the state park at Fishers Peak | - | \$30,000 | \$60,000 |
| User fees at existing state parks | - | - | \$90,000 |
| Total Revenue | - | \$30,000 | \$150,000 |

State Transfers

The bill transfers \$6.0 million from the General Fund to the Capital Construction Fund in the current FY 2019-20.

State Expenditures

Beginning in FY 2019-20, the bill increases state expenditures in the Department of Natural Resources by \$6.0 million. For any project initiated in FY 2019-20, the appropriation is available for up to three years. The fiscal note assumes that these projects can be managed without the need for additional staff or operating appropriations. Future staffing needs and operating costs for the state park at Fishers Peak or other facility expansion resulting from this bill can be addressed through the annual budget process.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

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State Appropriations

For FY 2019-20, the bill appropriates \$6.0 million to the Department of Natural Resources from the Capital Construction Fund.

State and Local Government Contacts

Natural Resources