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Final Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Woodward	Bill Status:	Postponed Indefinitely
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Bill Topic: **HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSE STATE WILDLIFE AREA**

Summary of Fiscal Impact: **No fiscal impact.** The bill would have prohibited the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission from requiring a hunting or fishing license to access a state wildlife area for individuals who are not hunting or fishing. The bill would have codified a newly established current practice; as such, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation was required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. The bill was not enacted into law; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary of Legislation

The bill prohibits the Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Commission from requiring the possession of a hunting or fishing license to enter a state wildlife area (SWA) for individuals who are not hunting or fishing.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

Beginning July 1, 2020, the CPW Commission prohibited access for all individuals 18 and older unless they held a valid hunting or fishing license. On March 17, 2021, the CPW Commission adopted rules allowing access for individuals holding a newly created State Wildlife Area pass. Because the bill codifies current practice, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Effective Date

The bill was postponed indefinitely by the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee on March 25, 2021.

State and Local Government Contacts

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