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Final Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors: Sen. Rodriguez; Hansen
Rep. Benavidez;
Gonzales-Gutierrez

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Bill Topic: **CDLE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DIVISION ENTERPRISE**

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

The bill requires the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment to study the feasibility of administering a wage replacement program for individuals who are unemployed through no fault of their own and who are ineligible for regular unemployment benefits due to their immigration status. It will increase state expenditures in FY 2021-22.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2021-22, the bill requires an appropriation of \$75,000 to the Department of Labor and Employment.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 21-233

		Budget Year	Out Year
		FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$75,000	-
Transfers		-	-
TABOR Refund		-	-

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment to study the feasibility of establishing a contract with a nonprofit, third-party entity to administer a wage replacement program for individuals who are unemployed through no fault of their own and who are ineligible for regular unemployment benefits due to their immigration status. The feasibility study must include potential sources of money to fund a wage replacement program, legal compliance with the U.S. Department of Labor's regular unemployment insurance programs, data sharing and data privacy, and input from relevant stakeholders. The CDLE is required to submit study recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by October 1, 2021.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state General Fund expenditures in the CDLE by \$75,000 in FY 2021-22. It is assumed the CDLE will hire a contractor or temporary staff to assist with the study over a four-month period. This cost is based on the costs of similar studies, and is roughly equivalent to the personal services and operating costs for 0.7 FTE of regular staff.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on July 2, 2021. Section 1 does not take effect, as House Bill 21-1150 became law; and Section 2 took effect on September 7, 2021.

State Appropriations

For FY 2021-22, the bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$75,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Labor and Employment.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties
Law
Treasury

Information Technology
Municipalities

Labor
Personnel