

Fiscal Note

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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 23-0788 **Date:** August 23, 2023 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Willford; Taggart Bill Status: Signed into Law Sen. Mullica Fiscal Analyst: Shukria Maktabi | 303-866-4720 shukria.maktabi@coleg.gov **Bill Topic:** COLORADO COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD GRANT PROGRAM Summary of ☐ State Revenue ☐ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** □ State Transfer □ Statutory Public Entity The bill creates the Colorado Commodity Supplemental Food Grant Program and the Food Bank Assistance Grant Program in the Department of Human Services to provide grants for purchasing and distributing food packages. The bill increases state expenditures and may increase local government workload in FY 2023-24. **Appropriation** For FY 2023-24, the bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$1.0 million to the **Summary:** Department of Human Services.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 23-1158

The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

		Budget Year FY 2023-24	Out Year FY 2024-25
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$1,000,000	-
Transfers		-	-
Other Budget Impacts	General Fund Reserve	\$150,000	-

Summary of Legislation

The bill creates the Colorado Commodity Supplemental Food Grant Program to provide grants to county departments of human services or food banks that have a contract with the state for purchasing supplemental food and distributing food packages to low-income older adults. The bill requires the General Assembly to appropriate \$1 million from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services (CDHS) for the program in FY 2023-24 only, and allows unspent funds to be used for the same purpose in FY 2024-25. CDHS will administer and establish rules for the program's implementation.

The bill also creates the Food Bank Assistance Grant Program to provide grants to food banks for providing and distributing nutritious food to their Hunger Relief Partners. CDHS will administer the grant program, with funding subject to available appropriations. CDHS may use up to five percent of the funds appropriated for administering the grant program.

State Expenditures

Expenditures will increase in CDHS for the Colorado Commodity Supplemental Food Grant Program by \$1.0 million in FY 2023-24. Any staff time to administer the program including awarding grants, tracking spending, and rulemaking support will be absorbable as the program aligns with existing federal food security programs within CDHS.

If the General Assembly opts to make funding available for the Food Bank Assistance Grant Program, which is subject to available appropriations, expenditures will also increase in the CDHS for grant administration costs and grant awards.

Local Government

The bill increases revenue and workload for county offices that apply for and receive grants. Grants will be awarded beginning in FY 2023-24; specific grant amounts will be determined by CDHS.

Effective Date

This bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 7, 2023.

State Appropriations

For FY 2023-24, the bill requires and includes a General Fund appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the Department of Human Services.

State and Local Government Contacts

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