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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 23-1026 **Date:** July 10, 2023 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Herod; Soper Bill Status: Signed into Law Sen. Gardner; Coleman Fiscal Analyst: Aaron Carpenter | 303-866-4918 aaron.carpenter@coleg.gov **Bill Topic:** PUBLIC USE OF ELECTED OFFICIALS' SOCIAL MEDIA Summary of ☐ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** State Expenditure ☐ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity The bill allows a state elected official to restrict or ban an individual from using the private social media account of the official. The bill may increase state and local expenditures. **Appropriation** No appropriation is required. **Summary: Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

Status:

The bill allows a state or local public official to temporarily or permanently restrict or ban an individual from using the private social media that is administered by the elected official for any reason.

State Expenditures

Starting in FY 2023-24, legal costs to the Department of Law and the Office of Legislative Legal Services may increase to provide legal advice to elected officials on when they may restrict or ban an individual or to represent the official in the event there is a challenge to the ban. No change in appropriations is required.

Local Government

Similar to the state, legal costs to local governments may increase to provide legal advice on when they may restrict or ban an individual or to represent elected officials in the event there is a challenge to the ban.

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Effective Date

This bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 5, 2023.

State and Local Government Contacts

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