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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 23-0874 **Date:** June 23, 2023 **Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Zenzinger; Kirkmeyer Bill Status: Signed into Law Rep. Sirota; Bockenfeld Fiscal Analyst: Shukria Maktabi | 303-866-4720 shukria.maktabi@coleg.gov **Bill Topic:** EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FUNDED BY WAGNER-PEYSER ACT Summary of ☐ TABOR Refund ☐ State Revenue **Fiscal Impact:** ☐ State Expenditure □ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity Budget package bill. The bill requires counties with employees funded through the Wagner-Peyser Act to develop merit systems that comply with federal standards. It increases local government workload. **Appropriation** No appropriation is required. **Summary: Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill. The bill was recommended by the Joint Budget Status: Committee as part of its FY 2023-24 budget package.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires each county to create a merit system for the selection, retention, and promotion of their employees who are funded through the federal Wagner-Peyser Act. The bill specifies what merit systems must include and requires counties to certify that their merit system complies with federal standards.

Local Government

Workload may increase for counties to ensure their merit system complies with the standards in the bill; however, as county human service departments are currently required to submit annual certification to the state Department of Human Services certifying that the criteria for merit systems are being maintained, this additional workload is likely to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on April 17, 2023, and takes effect on August 7, 2023, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

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