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Fiscal Note

LLS 24-1073

Prime Sponsors: Rep. Sirota; Taggart **Bill Status: House Appropriations** Sen. Bridges; Zenzinger Fiscal Analyst: Shukria Maktabi | 303-866-4720 shukria.maktabi@coleg.gov **Bill Topic: CREATE THE HEALTHY FOOD INCENTIVES PROGRAM Summary of** ☐ State Revenue ☐ State Transfer ☐ Local Government **Fiscal Impact:** ☐ TABOR Refund ☐ Statutory Public Entity Budget package bill. The bill codifies the Healthy Food Incentives Program in the Department of Public Health and Environment. The bill continues existing state expenditures indefinitely. **Appropriation** For FY 2024-25, the bill includes an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Department of Public Health and Environment. **Summary:** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. The bill was recommended by the Joint **Fiscal Note** Status: Budget Committee as part of the FY 2024-25 budget package.

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Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 24-1416

| | | Budget Year FY 2024-25 | Out Year FY 2025-26 |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Revenue | | - | - |
| Expenditures | General Fund ¹ | \$500,000 | \$500,000 |
| Transfers | | - | - |
| Other Budget Impacts | General Fund Reserve | \$75,000 | \$75,000 |

¹ This General Fund appropriation represents continuation of program funding.

Summary of Legislation

The bill codifies in statute the existing Healthy Food Incentives Program in the Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and appropriates \$500,000 from the General Fund for the program in FY 2024-25. The bill maintains existing requirements for the administration of the program and continues the program indefinitely.

Background

Since 2018, the Healthy Food Incentives Program has been funded through a Long Bill footnote to provide healthy eating incentives to low-income populations through partnerships with statewide nonprofits. The program is not formally in statute, and the provisions introduced by House Bill 23-1008, which added an additional appropriation to the program, repeal on September 1, 2025.

State Expenditures

The CDPHE is currently provided \$500,000 for the program paid from the General Fund. The bill codifies the existing program and maintains the current level of appropriations for the program, resulting in the bill having only a continuing impact on state expenditures. The CDPHE may use five percent of funding, or \$25,000, for administrative expenditures.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State Appropriations

For FY 2024-25, the bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$500,000 to the Department of Public Health and Environment.

State and Local Government Contacts

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The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the <u>General Assembly website</u>.