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# **Final Fiscal Note**

Drafting Number: Prime Sponsors:	LLS 24-1168 Rep. Ricks Sen. Coleman; Kolker	Date: Bill Status: Fiscal Analyst:	June 17, 2024 Signed into Law Brendan Fung   303-866-4781 brendan.fung@coleg.gov
Summary of Fiscal Impact:	☐ State Revenue ☑ State Expenditure	<ul><li>☐ State Transfer</li><li>☐ TABOR Refund</li></ul>	☐ Local Government☐ Statutory Public Entity
	The bill relocates the CLIMBER Act from the Department of the Treasury to the Office of Economic Development and modifies certain provisions. It minimally increases state workload in FY 2024-25.		
Appropriation Summary:	No appropriation is required.		
Fiscal Note Status:	This final fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.		

### **Summary of Legislation**

The bill relocates the CLIMBER Act from the Department of the Treasury to the Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT) on September 1, 2024, including administration of the program, current employees and officers, property, existing contracts, and program policies.

#### Additionally, the bill:

- renames the CLIMBER Act to the "Colorado Loans for Increasing Main Street Business Economic Resiliency Act;"
- renames the loan program and cash fund;
- removes loan program and cash fund repeal dates;
- removes requirements on fund investments prior to distribution; and
- permits OEDIT to accept gifts, grants, donations, and federal funds to support the program.

### **Background**

The CLIMBER Act, originally named the Colorado Loans for Increasing Main Street Business Recovery Act, was enacted under <u>House Bill 20-1413</u> and modified under <u>House Bill 22-1328</u>. The act includes the Small Business Recovery and Resiliency Loan Program to leverage private

investments for loans to small businesses, the Small Business Recovery and Resiliency Premium Tax Credit for insurance companies operating in the state, and the Small Business Recovery and Resiliency Cash Fund.

### **State Expenditures**

The bill minimally increases workload in the Department of the Treasury and OEDIT in FY 2024-25 to relocate program employees and property from one department to another, and to update department policies to conform with the new provisions and oversight structure. No change in appropriation is required.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 3, 2024, and takes effect on September 1, 2024.

#### **State and Local Government Contacts**

Office of Economic Development Treasury

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>.