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## **Final Fiscal Note**

**Drafting Number:** LLS 24-0276 Date: June 20, 2024 **Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Fields **Bill Status:** Deemed Lost Fiscal Analyst: Josh Abram | 303-866-3561 Rep. English josh.abram@coleg.gov **Bill Topic: ONGOING FUNDING FOR 911 RESOURCE CENTER** ☐ State Revenue ☐ State Transfer ☐ Local Government **Summary of Fiscal Impact:** ☐ TABOR Refund Beginning with FY 2024-25, the bill requires an annual General Fund appropriation to the Public Utilities Commission for the operations of the Colorado 911 Resource Center. **Appropriation** For FY 2024-25, the bill includes an appropriation of \$250,000 to the Public Utilities Commission in the Department of Regulatory Agencies. **Summary: Fiscal Note** The final fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. The bill was deemed lost in the Status: Senate on May 9, 2024; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

# Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under SB24-052

|                      |                      | Budget Year<br>FY 2024-25 | Out Year<br>FY 2025-26 |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Revenue              |                      | -                         | -                      |
| Expenditures         | General Fund         | \$250,000                 | \$250,000              |
| Transfers            |                      | -                         | -                      |
| Other Budget Impacts | General Fund Reserve | \$37,500                  | \$37,500               |

### **Summary of Legislation**

Beginning FY 2024-25, the bill requires an annual General Fund appropriation of \$250,000 to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) in the Department of Regulatory Agencies. The PUC must remit the funds to support the expenses of the Colorado 911 Resource Center. The resource center must provide quarterly expenditure reports to the PUC, which must be included in the PUC's annual SMART Act hearing presentation. The center must also conduct annual surveys to evaluate efficiency and effectiveness, and summarize this information in each report prepared for the PUC.

#### **Background**

The 911 Resource Center is an independent nonprofit entity created by the PUC to provide resources and centralized assistance to local 911 emergency call services throughout the state. Current funding for the center is from a 2004 agreement with the PUC requiring telecommunications companies to provide \$2 million dollars to create and operate the nonprofit.

### **State Expenditures**

Beginning in FY 2024-25, the bill increases state expenditures by \$250,000 per year for payment to the Colorado 911 Resource Center from the General Fund. It is assumed that any additional administrative workload for DORA and the PUC to remit funding to the resource center will be minimal.

## **Other Budget Impacts**

**General Fund reserve.** Under current law, an amount equal to 15 percent of General Fund appropriations must be set aside in the General Fund statutory reserve. Based on this fiscal note, the bill is expected to increase the amount of General Fund held in reserve by the amounts shown in Table 1, decreasing the amount of General Fund available for other purposes.

## **Statutory Public Entity**

The resource center will have increased revenue and expenditures of \$250,000 per year beginning in FY 2024-25.

#### **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 \$250,000 to the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

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

**Regulatory Agencies** 

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: <a href="leg.colorado.gov/fiscalnotes">leg.colorado.gov/fiscalnotes</a>.