



## Fiscal Note

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## HB 25-1053: LANDOWNER IMMUNITY EMERGENCY ACCESS TO PROP

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### Summary Information

**Overview.** The bill grants immunity from civil liability to landowners who allow access to their property during an emergency.

**Types of impacts.** The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- Minimal State Workload
- State Revenue

**Appropriations.** No appropriation is required.

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**Table 1**  
**State Fiscal Impacts**

<b>Type of Impact</b>	<b>Budget Year FY 2025-26</b>	<b>Out Year FY 2026-27</b>
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

## Summary of Legislation

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For landowners who allow entry and exit access to their property in connection with an emergency, the bill provides immunity from civil liability for damage or injury to persons or property. Immunity is not granted when damage or injury arises from gross negligence or willful misconduct caused by the landowner.

## State Revenue and Expenditures

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Starting in FY 2025-26, the bill may minimally decrease revenue and workload for the Judicial Department. To the extent that fewer civil cases are filed as a result of the bill's immunity provisions, filing fees to various cash funds in the Judicial Department will decrease. Similarly, workload for trial courts in the Judicial Department will also decrease if fewer civil cases are filed. Overall, these impacts are expected to be minimal and no change in appropriations is required.

## Effective Date

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The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed, and applies to emergencies occurring on or after that date.

## State and Local Government Contacts

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Counties	Judicial	Public Safety
Fire Chiefs	Law	Regulatory Agencies
Forest Service	Local Affairs	Sheriffs
Higher Education	Municipalities	Special District Association

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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 [General Assembly website](#).