

HB 25-1069: INCREASE STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION

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Fiscal note status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill creates a mechanism for legislators to publicly share drafts of legislation prior to the official introduction of bills.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas for FY 2025-26 only:

State Expenditures

Appropriations. For FY 2025-26, the bill requires an appropriation of \$63,840 to the Legislative Department.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

	Budget Year	Out Year
Type of Impact	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures (General Fund)	\$63,840	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the General Assembly to create a mechanism through which legislators may publicly share the titles and contents of draft bills they are considering during the interim between legislative sessions. The bill titles and draft must be published on a website that is accessible by the public and all titles and bill drafts are required to be removed from the website on the day prior to the start of the next legislative session.

Legislators may share up to three different versions of each title, bill, or combination thereof, but only one version per bill may be published on any given day. Changes to the website that publishes potential titles and bill drafts can only be made on three days per year: 90, 60, and 30 days prior to the start of the next legislative session. The bill specifies a disclaimer that must be included on bills shared via the website.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state General Fund expenditures in the Legislative Department by \$63,840 in FY 2025-26 only. The General Assembly must make potential bill titles and drafts publicly available on a website, and to develop the required website, Legislative Council Staff will require approximately 480 hours of computer programming at \$133 per hour, for a total cost of \$63,840.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State Appropriations

For FY 2025-26, the bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$63,840 to the Legislative Department.

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