

HB 25-1098: AUTOMATED PROTECTION ORDER VICTIM NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

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Fiscal note status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. Due to time constraints, this analysis is preliminary and will be updated following further review and any additional information received.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill requires the Department of Public Safety to create an automated protection order victim notification system.

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

State Revenue

State Expenditures

Appropriations. For FY 2025-26, the bill requires an appropriation of at least \$500,000 to the Department of Public Safety. This estimate is preliminary.

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)	\$500,000	\$500,000
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

Subject to available appropriations, the bill requires the Division of Criminal Justice in the Department of Public Safety (CDPS) to create an automated protection order victim notification system to provide a victim or other interested person with information related to a criminal or civil protection order. The bill outlines what information must be included in system—including the date of the order and when it will expire—and how the information must be disseminated—including phone call, text message, and mobile app in English and Spanish. The CDPS may contract with a third-party and may seek, accept, and expend gifts, grants, and donations.

State Revenue

Starting in FY 2025-26, the bill may increase state revenue from gifts, grants, and donations. At the time of this writing, no source of gifts, grants, and donations have been identified. Gifts, grants, and donations are not subject to the state's TABOR limit.

State Expenditures

Starting in FY 2025-26, the bill increases state General Fund expenditures by roughly \$500,000— to be updated once more information is received—to establish a notification system. This is based on the cost for the current Victim Information and Notification System (VINE), which is currently funded at \$492,800 per year. This cost may change with additional feedback from departments and further research by Legislative Council Staff. In addition, the Judicial Department may have costs for computer programming to enable data sharing with the new system.

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 \$500,000 to the Department of Public Safety.

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