



Fiscal Note

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HB 25-1228: BEST VALUE DESIGN-BUILD TRANSP CONTRACTS

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Fiscal note status: The revised fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as amended by the House Transportation, Housing, and Local Government Committee.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill changes the definition of "best value" for design-build transportation contracts administered by the Department of Transportation.

No fiscal impact. The bill has no fiscal impact on state or local governments.

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
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

The bill changes the definition of “best value” for design-build transportation contracts administered by the Department of Transportation (CDOT). Currently the definition of “best value” means overall maximum value of a proposal to CDOT after considering all of the evaluation factors described in the specifications for the transportation project or the request for proposals, including, but not limited to:

- time needed for performance of the contract;
- innovative design approaches;
- scope and quality of the work;
- work management;
- aesthetics;
- project control; and,
- the total cost of the transportation project.

The bill changes the definition to mean overall maximum value of a proposal to CDOT after considering all of the evaluation factors described in the specifications for the transportation project or the request for proposals, including, but not limited to:

- project schedule;
- innovative solutions;
- increased scope;
- improved quality;
- aesthetics;
- sustainability;
- environmental impact;
- resilience; and,
- initial cost and long-term life-cycle cost of the transportation project.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

The bill changes the definition of “best value” for CDOT’s design-build contracts to consider different criteria. It does not change how CDOT administers projects and does not affect state or local government revenue or expenditures. For this reason, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

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