



# Fiscal Note

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### SB 25-039: AG BUILDINGS EXEMPT FROM ENERGY USE REQUIREMENTS

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**Fiscal note status:** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, which was recommended by the Water Resources and Agriculture Review Committee.

### Summary Information

**Overview.** The bill clarifies which agricultural buildings are exempt from existing energy use reporting requirements under the Buildings Performance Program.

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

- State Revenue
- Minimal State Workload

**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**

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Under current law, the owners of certain buildings are required to submit annual reports on energy benchmarking data to the Colorado Energy Office under the Building Performance Program. Buildings used for agricultural purposes are exempt from the reporting requirements. The bill clarifies which agricultural buildings qualify for the exemption.

## **State Revenue and Expenditures**

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The bill may result in some buildings no longer being covered by the Building Performance Program. This reduces state revenue and expenditures, as those building owners will no longer pay the \$100 fee and program staff will no longer incorporate those buildings into the program. This fee revenue accrues to the Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Fund, which is continuously appropriated to the Colorado Energy Office, and is subject to TABOR. The number of buildings impacted by the bill is expected to be small and any change in state revenue or expenditures is minimal.

## **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.

## **State and Local Government Contacts**

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Colorado Energy Office

Public Health and Environment

Law

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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.