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# Fiscal Note

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**Prime Sponsors:**

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**Bill Status:** Bill Request  
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**Bill Topic:** **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN INDIVIDUALS WITH ANIMALS**

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill encourages emergency management agencies to address the needs of individuals with animals when amending or adopting emergency management plans. The bill potentially increases local government workload.

**Appropriation Summary:** No appropriation is required

**Fiscal Note Status:** The fiscal note reflects the bill draft requested by the Wildfire Matters Review Committee.

## Summary of Legislation

Under current law, local emergency management agencies must maintain an emergency management plan with provisions for the preparation, prevention, mitigation, response, and recovery from emergencies and disasters. For any plan amended or created on or after July 1, 2024, this bill strongly encourages agencies to address the needs of individuals with animals during an emergency, and include provisions for the evacuation, shelter, and transport of individuals with an animal. Beginning January 2025, cities and counties are also strongly encouraged to make information for animal emergency preparedness available to the public

## **Local Government**

Local governments and local emergency management agencies that choose to revise existing plans will have a minimal increase in workload; however, reviewing, updating, and maintaining emergency plans, and maintaining communications with the public, are part of the general operations of these agencies, and this bill will not create a material cost for local governments or their subdivisions.

## **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

## **State and Local Government Contacts**

Counties

Municipalities

Public Safety