



Initiative 170

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Fiscal Summary

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This fiscal summary, prepared by the nonpartisan Director of Research of the Legislative Council, contains a preliminary assessment of the measure's fiscal impact. A full fiscal impact statement for this initiative is or will be available at leg.colorado.gov/bluebook. This fiscal summary identifies the following impact.

State revenue. The measure seeks to limit an attorney's share of contingent fees in cases of personal injury and wrongful death. If this changes the number of civil cases filed with the trial courts, state revenue will have a correlating impact. Any impact is expected to be minimal.

State expenditures. The measure may minimally impact workload in the trial courts in the Judicial Department if it changes the incentives for plaintiffs to file civil cases or for attorneys to represent them. Overall, the measure is expected to have a minimal impact on the number of cases filed and workload in the courts.

Economic impacts. The measure is not expected to have a significant impact on the state economy.