



Initiative 286

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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 expenditures. Under current law, regular sessions of the General Assembly cannot exceed 120 calendar days. This measure requires that regular sessions of the General Assembly not exceed 60 calendar days in odd years and 30 calendar days in even years. This is estimated to reduce state expenditures by about \$1.1 million for a 60-day session, and by about \$1.7 million for a 30-day session. Expenditure savings are a result of reducing legislator travel and per-diem expenses, and from limiting the number of days the legislature hires session-only temporary staff. To the extent that shorter regular sessions result in the need for more frequent special legislative sessions, cost savings will be partially offset.

Economic impacts. The measure has no direct impact on the state economy.

