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**Memorandum**

**To:** The Colorado Joint Budget Committee

**From:** Brian Tobias, Director of the Colorado Office of Policy, Research, and Regulatory Reform (COPRRR)

**Re:** Request for Sunset and Sunrise Information

**CC:** Michelle Cullen, JBC staff

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**Sunset and Sunrise Status Update**

The Colorado Office of Policy Research and Regulatory Reform (COPRRR) provides the General Assembly with sunset and sunrise reviews based on specific statutory criteria.

Given our statutory charge to balance recommending the minimal regulatory burden while ensuring consumer protection, sunset reviews have recommended, when appropriate, eliminating dozens of regulatory boards, committees, or government functions since 1977. Ultimately, the Legislature determines which regulations should be created or continued. Since 2019, Sunset Reviews have recommended sunset at least 15 times, but in some instances, the General Assembly has rejected or is currently rejecting those recommendations. Also, via the sunrise review process, there are three recent instances in which we recommended against creating new regulations (see Table 1), and the General Assembly is in the process of rejecting those recommendations as well.

Below are three tables: Table 1. 2025 pending legislation, where the COPRRR recommended not to regulate a specific occupation; however, legislation was introduced to regulate it; Table 2. 2025 potential legislation, where an advisory board was recommended to sunset, but a bill to continue may be introduced; Table 3 includes historical Sunset recommendations, but the General Assembly passed regulation.

**Sunrises–2025 Legislative Session (pending legislation): Recommendation to not regulate, but the General Assembly is currently running legislation to regulate**

**Table 1**

Report Year	Bill	Cost
2024	HB25-1220 Regulation of Medical Nutrition Therapy	\$305,032 out year, ongoing

Report Year	Bill	Cost
2024	HB25-1262 Regulate Private Security Officers & Agencies	\$2,238,860 out year, ongoing
2024	HB25-1075 Regulate Speech-Language Pathology Assistants	Initial FN out year, \$23,700, amended to \$0

\*Costs noted are annual program impacts and do not include the start-up costs of administering a new regulatory program. Numbers based on the most recent fiscal note out years 27-28

**Sunsets–2025 Legislative Session (pending legislation): Recommendation to Sunset but anticipate legislation to continue**

**Table 2**

Report Year	Program or Bill	Cost
2024	Title Insurance Commission (not yet introduced)	Unknown, bill not yet introduced

**Sunsets and Sunrise–Historical: Recommendation to not regulate, but the General Assembly passed legislation to regulate**

**Table 3**

Report Year	Bill	Cost
2019	HB22-1399 Music Therapist Title Protection	NFI Vetoed by the Governor–no current fiscal impact
2023	HB24-1326 Bingo-Raffle Licensing Sunset Review	Recommendation was to sunset advisory board itself and not program -- such boards typically have negligible costs associated with them
2021	HB22-1274 Sunset Colorado Interagency Working Group on School Safety	\$259,826 ongoing
2020	SB21-147 Sunset Continue Licensing of Athletic Trainers	\$33,869 ongoing
2020	HB20-1212 Sunset Naturopathic Doctors	Recommendation was to sunset advisory board itself and not program -- such boards typically have negligible costs associated with them
2019	HB20-1207 Sunset Regulation of Private Investigators	\$75,000 ongoing Vetoed by the Governor–no current fiscal impact
2018	HB19-1212 Recreate HOA Community Manager Licensing	\$344,775 initial Vetoed by the Governor–no

Report Year	Bill	Cost
		current fiscal impact
2018	HB 18-1364 Colorado Advisory Council for Persons with Disabilities	\$251,348 ongoing
2017	SB19-133 Require License Practice Genetic Counseling	\$63,465 ongoing Vetoed by the Governor–no current fiscal impact

\*Costs noted are from the bill's fiscal note and may not reflect the current cost of each program