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STATE OF COLORADO

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on Second Reading in the House of Introduction*

LLS NO. 26-0646.01 Craig Harper x3481

HOUSE BILL 26-1169

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Sirota, Brown, Taggart

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Bridges, Amabile, Kirkmeyer

House Committees
Appropriations

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT
102 OF STATE.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Supplemental appropriations are made to the department of state.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

HOUSE
2nd Reading Unamended
February 11, 2026

1 **SECTION 1. Appropriation to the department of state for the**
2 **fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025** In Session Laws of Colorado 2025
3 section 2 of chapter 476 (SB 25-206), **amend** Part XXI as follows:
4 Section 2. **Appropriation.**

		APPROPRIATION FROM					
	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	PART XXI						
2	DEPARTMENT OF STATE						
3							
4	(1) ADMINISTRATION DIVISION						
5	Personal Services	3,064,415					
6		3,144,336					
7		(26.3 FTE)					
8		(26.7 FTE)					
9	Health, Life, and Dental	2,155,332					
10		2,226,904					
11	Short-term Disability	10,768					
12	Paid Family and Medical						
13	Leave Insurance	69,222					

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	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Unfunded Liability						
2	Amortization Equalization						
3	Disbursement Payments	1,538,256					
4	Salary Survey	422,995					
5	Step Pay	48,752					
6	PERA Direct Distribution	279,279					
7	Workers' Compensation	89,295					
8	Operating Expenses	537,100					
9		542,302					
10	Legal Services	1,518,847					
11	Outside Legal Services	25,000					
12	Administrative Law Judge						
13	Services	10,576					

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	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Payment to Risk						
2	Management and Property						
3	Funds	156,118					
4	Vehicle Lease Payments	11,538					
5		10,575					
6	Leased Space	1,499,579					
7	Payments to OIT	328,536					
8		173,710					
9	CORE Operations	3,877					
10	Electronic Recording						
11	Technology Board	3,540,546					
12	Indirect Cost Assessment	238,824					
13	Discretionary Fund	5,000					
14		15,553,855			15,553,855 ^a		
15		15,554,761			15,554,761 ^a		

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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2	^a Of this amount, \$12,013,309 \$12,014,215 shall be from the Department of State Cash Fund created in Section 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S. and \$3,540,546(I) shall be from the Electronic						
3	Recording Technology Fund created in Section 24-21-404 (1)(a), C.R.S. Appropriations from the Electronic Recording Technology Fund are shown for informational purposes only						
4	as the fund is continuously appropriated to the Department pursuant to Section 24-21-404 (1)(a), C.R.S.						
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6	(2) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION						
7	Personal Services	7,372,054					
8	(48.5 FTE)						
9	Operating Expenses	4,396,219					
10		4,398,314					
11		11,768,273	4,254		11,764,019*		
12		11,770,368			11,766,114 ^a		
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14	^a This amount shall be from the Department of State Cash Fund created in Section 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S.						
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	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	(3) ELECTIONS DIVISION						
2	Personal Services	4,302,622			4,302,622 ^a		
3					(47.1 FTE)		
4	Operating Expenses	514,189			514,189 ^a		
5	Help America Vote Act						
6	Program	210,000			210,000 ^b		
7	Local Election						
8	Reimbursement ¹⁰²	10,746,664			10,746,664 ^a		
9	Initiative and Referendum	165,000			165,000 ^a		
10	Document Management	802,526			802,526 ^a		
11		16,741,001					
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13	^a These amounts shall be from the Department of State Cash Fund created in Section 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S.						

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	^b Of this amount, \$200,000 shall be from the Department of State Cash Fund created in Section 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S., and shall be transferred into the Federal Elections Assistance						
2	Fund created in Section 1-1.5-106 (1)(a), C.R.S., which is continuously appropriated to the Department of State for the implementation of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002,						
3	pursuant to Section 1-1.5-106 (2)(b), C.R.S., and \$10,000(I) shall be from the Federal Elections Assistance Fund created in Section 1-1.5-106 (1)(a), C.R.S. which is continuously						
4	appropriated to the Department of State for the implementation of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 pursuant to Section 1-1.5-106 (2)(b), C.R.S., and is shown for informational						
5	purposes only. Appropriations from the Federal Elections Assistance Fund do not constitute fiscal year spending for the purposes of Section 20 of Article X of the State Constitution.						
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7	(4) BUSINESS AND LICENSING DIVISION						
8	Personal Services	3,691,190					
9	(51.5 FTE)						
10	Operating Expenses	180,065					
11	Business Intelligence Center						
12	Personal Services	318,095					
13			4,189,350			4,189,350 ^a	
14							
15	^a This amount shall be from the Department of State Cash Fund created in Section 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S.						

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TOTALS PART XXI							
(STATE)		\$48,252,479	\$4,254		\$48,248,225*		
		\$48,255,480			\$48,251,226 ^a		

^a Of this amount, \$3,550,546 contains an (I) notation.

FOOTNOTES -- The following statements are referenced to the numbered footnotes throughout section 2.

102 Department of State, Elections Division, Local Election Reimbursement -- If actual reimbursements to counties required by section 1-5-505.5, C.R.S., exceed the cash funds amount specified in this line item, the Department may spend up to 115.0 percent of the cash funds amount specified to make the required reimbursements.

1 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
2 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
3 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
4 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
5 institutions.