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HOUSE BILL 26-1169

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Sirota, Brown, Taggart, Duran, Joseph, McCluskie

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Bridges, Amabile, Kirkmeyer

House Committees

Appropriations

Senate Committees

SENATE
2nd Reading Unamended
February 19, 2026

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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

Bill Summary

HOUSE
3rd Reading Unamended
February 12, 2026

(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.

HOUSE
2nd Reading Unamended
February 11, 2026

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.

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
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

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PART XXI

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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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

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	APPROPRIATION FROM				
			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					

	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	APPROPRIATION FROM				
			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*		
15		15,554,761			15,554,761 ^a		

APPROPRIATION FROM						
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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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		APPROPRIATION FROM					
	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					
12							
13	^a These amounts shall be from the Department of State Cash Fund created in Section 24-21-104 (3)(b), C.R.S.						

APPROPRIATION FROM

ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

^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 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, 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 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 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.

(4) BUSINESS AND LICENSING DIVISION

8 Personal Services 3,691,190

9 (51.5 FTE)

11 Business Intelligence Center

12 Personal Services 318,095

4,189,350

4,189,350^a

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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	ITEM & SUBTOTAL	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND EXEMPT	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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3	TOTALS PART XXI						
4	(STATE)	\$48,252,479		\$4,254		\$48,248,225*	
5		\$48,255,480				\$48,251,226 ^a	
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7 ^a Of this amount, \$3,550,546 contains an (I) notation.

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

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11 102 Department of State, Elections Division, Local Election Reimbursement -- If actual reimbursements to counties required by section 1-5-505.5, C.R.S., exceed
12 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
13 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.