



Fiscal Note

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HB 26-1307: SUNSET COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill continues the Colorado Medical Board, which is set to repeal on September 1, 2026. The program is continued until September 1, 2035.

Types of impacts. The bill's primary impacts are from continuing a program currently scheduled to repeal, which will extend existing fiscal impacts through FY 2035-36 in the following areas:

- State Revenue
- State Expenditures

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1
Continuation of Current State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2026-27	Out Year FY 2027-28
State Revenue	\$0	\$3,974,013
State Expenditures	\$0	\$3,974,013
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$3,974,013
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	8.8 FTE

These impacts result from continuing a program scheduled to repeal and reflect the extension of current revenue and spending levels.

Summary of Legislation

The Colorado Medical Board (board) oversees the licensure and regulation of physicians, physician assistants, and anesthesiologist assistants and assesses licensing fees to cover the cost of this work. The bill continues the board and the Medical Practice Act for nine years, until September 1, 2035.

The bill also changes licensing requirements for certain professionals, including exempting individuals who have a natural medicine facilitator license from licensure under the Medical Practice Act, changing the renewal period for a distinguished foreign teaching physician, and creating a new administrative license for physicians who do not treat patients or prescribe medicine.

In addition, it authorizes the president of the board to serve as a full member of the board's licensing panel. The bill's provisions come from the recommendations in the [2025 sunset review](#) of the program.

Continuing Program Impacts

DORA is expected to have annual revenue and expenditures of \$4.0 million and staff of 8.8 FTE to continue the board, based on FY 2023-24 actual expenditures and the corresponding licensing fee revenue in the sunset report. If this bill is enacted, this current revenue and expenditures will continue for the program starting in FY 2027-28. This continuing revenue is subject to the state TABOR limits.

If this bill is not enacted, the program will end one year after its repeal date on September 1, 2027, following a wind-down period. If allowed to repeal, state revenue and expenditures will decrease starting in FY 2027-28 by the amounts shown in Table 1. Additional impacts from changes under the bill area described in the State Expenditures sections below.

State Expenditures

The bill minimally increases workload in the DORA for rulemaking and outreach related to the changes in licensing requirements. Because DORA already regulates the impacted professions, this workload can be absorbed within existing resources.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

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