



# Fiscal Note

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### SB 26-136: REPORTING OF LOST OR STOLEN LIVESTOCK

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#### Summary Information

**Overview.** The bill requires the State Board of Stock Inspection Commissioners in the Department of Agriculture to receive reports of lost or stolen livestock and establish policies to coordinate with law enforcement and livestock owners.

**Types of impacts.** The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- Minimal State Workload

**Appropriations.** No appropriation is required.

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**Table 1**  
**State Fiscal Impacts**

| Type of Impact          | Budget Year<br>FY 2026-27 | Out Year<br>FY 2027-28 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| State Revenue           | \$0                       | \$0                    |
| State Expenditures      | \$0                       | \$0                    |
| Transferred Funds       | \$0                       | \$0                    |
| Change in TABOR Refunds | \$0                       | \$0                    |
| Change in State FTE     | 0.0 FTE                   | 0.0 FTE                |

## Summary of Legislation

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The bill requires the State Board of Stock Inspection Commissioners (board) and the Division of Brand Inspection (division), in the Colorado Department of Agriculture (CDA), to receive reports of lost or stolen livestock. The board and division must adopt rules to establish policies for coordinating with law enforcement and livestock owners. The division must review and approve any proposed rules before the board adopts them.

## Background

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The State Board of Stock Inspection Commissioners is part of the Division of Brand Inspection in CDA. Both entities are state enterprises. The board is responsible for adopting rules and regulations concerning livestock and brand inspection. All lost, missing, strayed, and stolen livestock fall under the jurisdiction and control of the division.

## State Expenditures

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The bill minimally increases workload in the CDA for the Division of Brands Inspection to conduct stakeholder outreach, formalize policies and procedures, and conduct rulemaking. The department will coordinate with the Department of Law for legal services related to rulemaking. This increase can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

## Effective Date

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The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

## State and Local Government Contacts

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Agriculture

Law

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The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).