



Fiscal Note

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HB 26-1060: CRIMINAL JURISDICTION FOR OUT-OF-STATE CONDUCT

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Bill Outcome: Postponed Indefinitely

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Fiscal note status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. This bill was postponed indefinitely by the House Judiciary committee on March 4, 2026; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill would have clarified when a crime is considered partially committed in the state, and therefore subject to the state's prosecution, based on the results of the crime.

Types of impacts. The bill would have affected the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- Minimal State Revenue
- Minimal State Workload
- Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation would have been required.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2026-27	Out Year 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

Under current law, a person may be prosecuted for a crime in the state of Colorado if the crime was committed wholly or partly within the state. Currently, a crime is considered committed partly within the state if:

- the conduct is an element of a crime and occurs in the state; or
- the result of the conduct is an element of a crime and the result occurs in the state.

Current statute only specifically defines “result” in connection with the crime of homicide.

The bill further clarifies the definition of “result” as the effect of conduct that causes injury, loss, or damage to:

- a thing of value,
- rights or privileges protected by law,
- access to information, or
- the victim’s identity.

The bill preserves the current definition of “result” specific to the crime of homicide. Finally, a person does not need actual knowledge that the victim is located in the state to be prosecuted for the crime.

State Revenue and Expenditures

To the extent the bill’s definition increases the number of criminal cases in Colorado, state revenue to and state expenditures in the Judicial Department, offices that represent indigent offenders, the Department of Public Safety, and the Department of Corrections may increase. These increases depend on the number of additional cases and sentencing decisions made by courts. Overall, it is expected that the definition will not dramatically increase the number of criminal cases and that any change in overall costs for affected agencies will be minimal. Any changes to appropriations can be addressed through the annual budget process, if necessary.

Local Government

Similar to the state, the bill may increase expenditures for district attorney offices and local law enforcement depending on the number of additional cases and sentencing decisions by the courts.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect on July 1, 2026, and applies to offenses committed on or after this date.

State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections

Judicial

District Attorneys

Public Safety