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**HB 18-1146**

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

**Drafting Number:** LLS 18-0396  
**Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Melton  
Sen. Coram

**Date:** July 31, 2018  
**Bill Status:** Signed into Law  
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**Bill Topic:** SUNSET MEASUREMENT STANDARDS LAW

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue ( <i>continuation</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure ( <i>continuation</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

**Sunset bill.** HB 18-1146 continues the issuance of licences and certificates related to measurement standards in the Department of Agriculture, which is scheduled to repeal on July 1, 2018. State fiscal impacts under the bill include only the continuation of the program's current revenue and expenditures. The program is continued through September 1, 2028.

**Appropriation Summary:** No appropriation is required.

**Fiscal Note Status:** The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

**Table 1  
State Fiscal Impacts Under HB-1146\***

<b>New Impacts*</b>		<b>FY 2018-19</b>	<b>FY 2019-20</b>
<i>Revenue</i>		-	-
<i>Expenditures</i>		-	-
<b>Continuing Program Impacts*</b>			
<i>Revenue</i>	Cash Funds	-	\$1,400,000
<i>Expenditures</i>	General Fund	-	\$290,000
	Cash Funds		\$1,711,000
	<b>Total</b>	-	<b>\$2,001,000</b>
	<b>FTE</b>	-	<b>18.7 FTE</b>
<i>TABOR Refund</i>	General Fund	-	\$1,400,000

\* Table 1 shows the new impacts resulting from changes to the program under the bill, and the continuing impacts from extending the program beyond its current repeal date. Because the bill continues a program without making any changes, there are no new impacts. The continuing program impacts will end if the bill is not passed and the program is allowed to repeal.

### **Summary of Legislation**

This bill continues the issuance of licences and certificates related to measurement standards in the Department of Agriculture, which is scheduled to repeal on July 1, 2018. The program is continued through September 1, 2028.

### **Continuing Program Impacts**

Based on its FY 2018-19 budget request, the Department of Agriculture is expected to have cash fund revenue of \$1.4 million and expenditures of \$1.7 million and 18.7 FTE to administer the issuance of licences and certificates related to measurement standards. The program also has \$290,000 in General Fund expenditures. Expenditures exceed revenue to bring the Inspection and Consumer Services Cash Fund into compliance with its statutory fund limit. The fiscal note assumes that revenue and expenditures will balance once the cash fund comes into compliance. If this bill is enacted, current revenue and expenditures will continue for the program starting in FY 2019-20. If this bill is not enacted, the program will end on July 1, 2019, following a wind-down period, and state revenue and expenditures will decrease starting in FY 2019-20 by the amounts shown in Table 1.

### **TABOR Refund**

This bill increases state revenue from fees, which will increase the amount of money required to be refunded under TABOR for FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20. Since the bill increases the TABOR refund obligation without a corresponding change in General Fund revenue, the amount of money available in the General Fund for the budget will decrease by an identical amount. State revenue subject to TABOR is not estimated for years beyond FY 2019-20.

### **Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 6, 2018.

### **State and Local Government Contacts**

Agriculture