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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREND AND RESPONSE TASK FORCE

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

This bill extends the repeal date of the Substance Abuse and Trend Response Task Force until September 1, 2028. This bill increases state revenue, costs, and workload associated with the task force. Local government workload is also increased. These impacts are ongoing until FY 2028-29.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2018-19, this bill requires and appropriation of \$2,200 to the Department of Public Safety.

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note represents the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, the Substance Abuse Trend and Response Task Force (task force) is scheduled to repeal July 1, 2018. This bill extends the repeal date for this task force until September 1, 2028.

Background

The task force was created in 2013 to continue the work of the State Methamphetamine Task Force. The task force consists of 32 members and is funded from gifts, grants, and donations previously received from partnerships with substance abuse organizations and interest earnings credited to the Substance Abuse, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Cash Fund. The task force meets four times per year to:

- assist local communities with implementation of the most effective practices for substance abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment and in developing responses by the criminal justice system;
- review model programs that have shown the best results in Colorado and across the U.S. and provide information on the programs to local communities and local drug task forces;
- investigate collaborative models on protecting children and other victims of substance abuse and drug production and distribution;

- measure and evaluate the progress of state and local jurisdictions in preventing substance abuse and illegal drug production and distribution, and in prosecuting persons engaging in these acts; and
- evaluate and promote approaches to increase public awareness of current and emerging substance abuse problems and strategies for addressing those problems.

This task force is not subject to sunset review by the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

State Revenue

The task force may receive gifts, grants, and donations. By extending the repeal date of the task force, revenue from gifts, grants, and donations is potentially increased beginning FY 2018-19 through FY 2028-29. Gifts, grants, and donations are exempt from TABOR. No recurring source of gifts, grants, or donations has been identified.

State Expenditures

Beginning in FY 2018-19, this bill increases costs and workload for state agencies that have members on the task force through FY 2028-29, including the departments of Human Services, Law, Education, Public Safety, Corrections Public Health and Environment, and the Legislative and Judicial Department. Expenditures for the task force are approximately \$2,200 per year paid out of the Substance Abuse, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Cash Fund.

Local Government

Beginning in the current year FY 2017-18, this bill increases workload for local government representatives that serve on the task force through FY 2028-29. This includes a district attorney, sheriff, police chief, and a rural county commissioner.

Technical Note

The Substance Abuse Trend and Response Task Force is funded through the Substance Abuse, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Cash Fund. Under current law, all monies in Substance Abuse, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Cash Fund must be transferred to the General Fund on July 1, 2018. In order to retain these funds for use by the task force, the date of this transfer will need to be changed to align with new repeal date created by this bill.

Effective Date

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

State Appropriations

For FY 2018-19, this bill requires an appropriation of \$2,200 from the Substance Abuse, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Cash Fund to the Department of Public Safety.

State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections
District Attorneys
Judicial
Municipalities
Public Health and Environment
Sheriffs

Counties
Human Services
Law
Office Of The Child's Representative
Public Safety