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FINAL FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: EXTEND SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREND & 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 checked="" 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 includes an appropriation of \$3,000 to the Department of Public Safety.

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note represents the enacted 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. Currently, all funds remaining in the Substance Abuse, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Cash Fund are scheduled to be transferred to the General Fund on July 1, 2018. This bill changes the date of this transfer to align with the new task force repeal date of 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 from FY 2018-19 through FY 2028-29. Gifts, grants, and donations are exempt from TABOR. No source of gifts, grants, or donations has been identified as of this writing.

State Transfers

Under this bill all remaining funds in the Substance Abuse, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Cash Fund will be transferred to the General Fund on September 1, 2028, instead of July 1, 2018. The fund balance for this fund was \$14,259 at the end of FY 2016-17, therefore any transfer is expected to be minimal.

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 Departments. Expenditures for the task force are approximately \$3,000 per year for task force member expenses such as mileage, per diem, and parking. These costs are paid out of the Substance Abuse, Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Cash Fund.

Local Government

Beginning in the current year FY 2018-19, 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.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on April 26, 2018.

State Appropriations

For FY 2018-19, this bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$3,000 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