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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: REPEAL OPIOID AWARENESS PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATION

- Summary of Fiscal Impact: State Revenue, State Expenditure, State Transfer, TABOR Refund, Local Government, Statutory Public Entity

Budget package bill. This bill discontinues an annual appropriation to the Center for Research into Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Support Strategies at the University of Colorado for a public awareness program about opioids. It decreases state expenditures from FY 2020-21 through FY 2023-24.

Appropriation Summary: This bill requires and includes a reduction in appropriations of \$750,000 to the Department of Higher Education in FY 2020-21.

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, which was recommended by the Joint Budget Committee as part of its FY 2020-21 budget balancing package.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 20-1364

Table with 5 columns: Category, FY 20-21, FY 21-22, FY 22-23, FY 23-24. Rows include Revenue, Expenditures (Marijuana Tax Cash Fund), Transfers, and TABOR Refund.

Summary of Legislation

Current law requires an annual appropriation of \$750,000 through FY 2023-24 from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund to the Center for Research into Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Support Strategies at the University of Colorado to implement a program to increase public awareness about the safe use, storage, and disposal of opioids, and about the availability of antagonist drugs used to block the effects of an opioid overdose.

This bill repeals the appropriation requirement for FY 2020-21 through 2023-24 and repeals the program, effective September 1, 2020. The bill also repeals the scheduled sunset review of the program prior to its repeal.

State Expenditures

The bill reduces state Marijuana Tax Cash Fund expenditures in the Department of Higher Education by \$750,000 for four years from FY 2020-21 through FY 2023-24.

Effective Date

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

State Appropriations

The bill requires and includes a reduction in Marijuana Tax Cash Fund appropriations of \$750,000 to the Department of Higher Education for use by the Regents of the University of Colorado in FY 2020-21.

State and Local Government Contacts

Higher Education

Joint Budget Committee