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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: REQUIRE MOVIE THEATERS TO PROVIDE OPEN CAPTIONING

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

The bill requires certain movie theaters to provide showings of movies with open movie captioning at least twice per week. It minimally increases state revenue and workload on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires that any public movie theater with more than two locations in Colorado must provide open movie captioning during at least two showings each week for each movie that is produced and offered with open captioning.

State Revenue and Expenditures

The bill minimally increases state revenue and workload, as described below.

Judicial Department. An individual with a disability could bring civil suit against the owner or operator of a movie theater that violates this bill. The Judicial Department will see an increase in revenue from filing fees and workload associated with such suits, which are expected to be infrequent. The revenue increase is therefore expected to be minimal and the workload can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Department of Regulatory Agencies. The bill may increase workload related to investigating public accommodation complaints if affected parties choose to seek a remedy through the Colorado Civil Rights Division. This workload impact is minimal and can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 5, 2020, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2020, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Information Technology

Judicial

Law

Regulatory Agencies