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FISCAL NOTE

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

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**Drafting Number:** LLS 17-0889 **Date:** June 15, 2017  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Winter; Saine **Bill Status:** Signed into Law  
Sen. Donovan; Smallwood **Fiscal Analyst:** Ryan Long (303-866-2066)

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**BILL TOPIC:** STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY GOVERNANCE

### Summary of Legislation

The bill, *recommended by the Legislative Audit Committee*, changes the way the board members of the Colorado Historical Society are selected. Under current law, the board has nine members: five members appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate, and four members recommended by the board for appointment by the Governor with the consent of the Senate. Under this bill, all nine members will be appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate.

The directors council of the State Historical Society is created in current law. The bill allows the board to establish the council; however, if the council is not established by June 1, 2020, the bill repeals the section authorizing its establishment.

### Background

Established in 1879, the Colorado Historical Society, or History Colorado, is a nonprofit charitable organization and a state agency in the Department of Higher Education.

### Assessment

Changing the method for selecting the governing body of the Colorado State Historical Society will not change the expenditures or revenue for any state agency, and therefore, this bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

### Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 3, 2017, and takes effect August 9, 2017, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

### State and Local Government Contacts

Governor Higher Education

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