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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Rich; Esgar	Bill Status:	House Health & Insurance
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Bill Topic:	DEFINING TELEMEDICINE FOR MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS
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Summary of Fiscal Impact:	<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
	<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill modifies the definition of telemedicine to require HIPAA-compliant telecommunications. It increases state agency workload in FY 2021-22 only.

Appropriation Summary:	No appropriation is required.
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Fiscal Note Status:	The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.
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Summary of Legislation

For the purpose of the "Colorado Medical Practice Act," the bill modifies the definition of telemedicine as the delivery of services through HIPAA-compliant telecommunications systems, including information, electronic, and communication technologies, remote monitoring technologies, and store-and-forward transfers, to facilitate the assessment, diagnosis, consultation, or treatment of a patient.

State Expenditures

The Division of Professions and Occupations in the Department of Regulatory Agencies may be required to update rules and guidance to comply with the bill; this one-time workload is minimal and can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing
Public Health and Environment

Information Technology
Regulatory Agencies