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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 22-0742
Prime Sponsors: Rep. Holtorf; Exum
Sen. Liston

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Bill Status: Signed into Law
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Bill Topic: **REGULATION & SERVICES FOR WILDFIRE MITIGATION**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires people to notify their fire department before conducting a controlled burn. It increases state and local expenditures on an ongoing basis beginning in FY 2022-23.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 22-1132

		Budget Year FY 2022-23	Out Year FY 2023-24
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	Cash Funds	\$100,000	-
	Total Expenditures	\$100,000	-
Transfers	General Fund	(\$100,000)	-
	Cash Funds	\$100,000	-
	Net Transfer	\$0	-
Other Budget Impacts		-	-

Summary of Legislation

Before conducting a controlled burn, a person must notify their local fire department or other appropriate entity of the date, time, and location where it will occur, and their contact information. The fire department may determine that its personnel must be on standby at the time of the controlled burn for it to occur.

The bill allocates \$100,000 for the existing Local Firefighter Safety and Disease Prevention Fund to provide need-based grants to volunteer fire departments to increase firefighter safety and prevent occupation-related diseases.

State Transfers

The bill transfers \$100,000 from the General Fund to the Local Firefighter Safety and Disease Prevention Fund on the bill's effective date.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state expenditures in the Department of Public Safety from the Local Firefighter Safety and Disease Prevention Fund by \$100,000 in FY 2022-23 for need-based grants to volunteer fire departments. Because the fund is continuously appropriated to the department, any unspent money remains available for the same purpose in subsequent fiscal years.

Local Government

Expenditures will increase in fire departments to review controlled burn notifications and to be on standby for controlled burns as necessary. This workload may be offset to the extent that advanced notice of controlled burns will allow fire departments to more respond more efficiently to calls from the public reporting known controlled burns as a wildfire. Revenue and expenditures will also increase to volunteer fire departments that receive grants under the bill.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 3, 2022, and takes effect on August 9, 2022, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	Judicial
Municipalities	Special Districts