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Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 22-0893 **Date:** March 17, 2022 Bill Status: House HHS **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Lindsay Sen. Jaquez Lewis Fiscal Analyst: Annie Scott | 303-866-5851 Annie.Scott@state.co.us **Bill Topic:** FLEXIBILITY IN ORAL HEALTH PROGRAM FUNDING Summary of □ TABOR Refund ☐ State Revenue **Fiscal Impact:** □ Local Government □ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity This bill renames the Dental Loan Repayment Program Fund, and expands the use of the fund to include oral health programs within the Colorado Department of Public The bill may increase state workload beginning in Health and Environment. FY 2022-23. **Appropriation** No appropriation is required. Summary: **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. Status:

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, the Dental Loan Repayment Program Fund receives 1.0 percent of Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement deposited to the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Cash Fund. This bill renames the fund as the Dental Loan Repayment and Oral Health Programs Fund and expands the use of the money in the fund to include oral health programs within the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Background

In November 1998, forty-six states, the District of Columbia and five U.S. territories (the states) entered into a settlement agreement with the four largest tobacco companies in the United States. This agreement, called the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement, restricts tobacco companies' marketing practices and requires them to pay a projected \$206 billion over 25 years to the states.

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State Expenditures

While the bill does not change the amount of funding transferred to the newly renamed Dental Loan Repayment and Oral Health Programs Fund, it may shift the use of that funding to include oral health programs. To the extent that funding normally spent under the Dental Loan Repayment Program is used for other oral health activities, the CDPHE will reallocate staff resources as necessary, and no net change in workload is expected.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Information Technology Personnel and Administration

Public Health and Environment Treasury