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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 23-0927 **Date:** August 9, 2023 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Daugherty; Evans Bill Status: Vetoed by Governor Sen. Zenzinger; Simpson Fiscal Analyst: Shukria Maktabi | 303-866-4720 shukria.maktabi@coleg.gov **Bill Topic:** OPEN MEETINGS LAW EXECUTIVE SESSION VIOLATIONS Summary of ☐ State Revenue ☐ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** ☐ State Expenditure ☐ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity The bill would have prohibited individuals from being awarded or assessed costs or attorney fees if they are representing themselves in a challenge against a local public body for an executive session violation. The bill may have reduced local government expenditures beginning in FY 2023-24. **Appropriation** No appropriation was required. Summary: **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the enrolled bill. This bill was vetoed by the Governor on Status: June 6, 2023; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary of Legislation

The bill prohibits courts from awarding or assessing costs or attorney fees to individuals who represent themselves in filings against a local public body for an executive session violation under the Open Meetings Law.

Local Government

Expenditures for local governments may decrease from reduced costs and attorney fees for violations of the Open Meetings Law.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties Judicial Local Affairs

Municipalities School Districts

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