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Fiscal Note

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Bill Topic: **CREATING A DRUG DONATION PROGRAM**

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

The bill creates a program that allows for the donation and redistribution of unused medications. The bill increases state expenditures in FY 2024-25 only, and may increase local expenditures beginning in FY 2024-25.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2024-25, the bill requires an appropriation of \$7,699 to the Department of Public Health and Environment.

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

**Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 24-061**

		Budget Year FY 2024-25	Out Year FY 2025-26
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$7,699	-
	Centrally Appropriated	\$1,875	-
	Total Expenditures	\$9,574	-
	Total FTE	0.1 FTE	-
Transfers		-	-
Other Budget Impacts	General Fund Reserve	\$1,155	-

Summary of Legislation

The bill creates the Colorado Drug Donation Program to allow for the donation and redistribution of certain medicines to indigent, uninsured, underinsured, or eligible patients.

The bill outlines the eligible donor and recipients, record-keeping requirements for donated medicines, types of medicines that may be donated, storage and disposal of donated medicines, and the process for re-dispensing medicine to eligible individuals. The bill also requires the State Board of Pharmacy in the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) to develop program rules; clarifies that individuals and entities involved in the program are not liable when acting in good faith; and modifies existing state laws to align with the reuse of unused medicine through this program.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state expenditures in the Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) by \$9,600 in FY 2024-25 only, paid from the General Fund. Workload will also minimally increase for DORA. Expenditures are shown in Table 2 and detailed below.

Table 2
Expenditures Under SB 24-061

	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26
Department of Public Health and Environment		
Personal Services	\$7,669	-
Centrally Appropriated Costs ¹	\$1,875	-
Total Cost	\$9,574	-
Total FTE	0.1 FTE	-

¹ Centrally appropriated costs are not included in the bill's appropriation.

Department of Public Health and Environment. In FY 2024-25 only, CDPHE requires 0.1 FTE to develop rules for regulated health facilities that participate in the program. This includes preparing, facilitating, and providing subject matter expertise for stakeholder meetings and board hearings.

Department of Regulatory Agencies. Workload will increase for the Board of Pharmacy to develop rules to implement the program and manage any complaints received from the program. This workload is minimal and can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Other state agencies. To the extent that state health facilities opt to participate in the program, workload will increase to implement the program at the facility. The fiscal note assumes participation is at the discretion of the facility and any workload impacts will be absorbable within existing appropriations or will be requested through the annual budget process.

Local Government

Similar to state facilities, any local facility that elects to participate in the program will have increased administrative costs to follow the requirements of the program.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State Appropriations

For FY 2024-25, the bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$7,699 to the Department of Public Health and Environment, and 0.1 FTE.

State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections	Counties	Early Childhood
Health Care Policy and Financing	Higher Education	Human Services
Information Technology	Judicial	Law
Municipalities	Personnel	Public Health and Environment
Regulatory Agencies		

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).