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NO FISCAL IMPACT

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| Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Clapp Sen. Teck | Bill Status: House SVMA Fiscal Analyst: Geoff Barsch (303-866-4102) |

TITLE: CONCERNING LIMITATIONS ON CIVIL ACTIONS REGARDING FIREARMS.

Summary of Assessment

This bill would prohibit civil suits, other than product liability actions, against firearms or ammunition manufacturers and dealers, or against any firearms trade association, for damages arising from injury or death caused by the discharge of a firearm or ammunition. The bill also instructs the court to dismiss any such prohibited civil action and to award reasonable attorney fees to each defendant named in the action. This bill would take effect upon the signature of the Governor.

Because the bill instructs courts to dismiss any suit brought against firearms or ammunition manufacturers, any court costs will be minimal and absorbed by the Judicial Department. Therefore, this bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Departments Contacted

Judicial Law Local Affairs