



*Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note*  
**NO FISCAL IMPACT**

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**Prime Sponsor(s):** Sen. Gordon

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**TITLE:** CONCERNING ADOPTION OF AN AGREEMENT AMONG THE STATES TO ELECT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE.

### **Summary of Assessment**

This bill enters Colorado into an interstate agreement to elect the President of the United States by national popular vote, potentially allowing for a change in the way Colorado's presidential electors are chosen. The bill also sets forth the provisions of the agreement, which only takes effect if enacted in states cumulatively possessing a majority of electoral votes. If enacted, the agreement would supersede any conflicting provisions of Colorado law.

Under current law, each political party designates presidential electors pledged to support that party's candidate for president and vice president; electors for the party that wins the most Colorado votes go on to participate in the electoral college. Under the proposed agreement, the Colorado electors from the party of the candidate that wins the national popular vote would participate in the electoral college. The agreement terminates if the electoral college is abolished.

The bill does not affect state or local government revenues or expenditures. Therefore, it is assessed as having no fiscal impact. It takes effect upon signature of the Governor.

### **Departments Contacted**

State