


Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note
FINAL
FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Veiga
 Rep. Miklosi

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Bill Status: Lost in Senate
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TITLE: CONCERNING THE REDUCTION OF PLASTIC BAG USE.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011
State Revenue General Fund*		
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: The bill was lost on second reading in the Senate on February 24, 2009.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2009-2010: None.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

* General Fund revenue is from fines beginning in FY 2012-13.

This final fiscal note reflects the introduced bill as amended by the Senate Business, Labor and Technology Committee Report of February 11, 2009.

Summary of Legislation

Beginning July 1, 2012, retail stores with at least 10,000 square feet and with gross annual sales of \$1.0 million or more are prohibited from providing customers plastic bags. Violations of this prohibition are a class 2 petty offense and punishable by a fine of \$100 for the first offense, and up to \$500 for third and subsequent offenses in a calendar year. Fine revenue is credited to the General Fund.

State Revenue and Expenditures

The bill is assessed at no fiscal impact for FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11.

Beginning in FY 2012-13, state General Fund revenue will increase from fines collected due to violations of the bill. Violations are a class 2 petty offense, and are punishable by a fine of up to \$100 for the first violation in a calendar year, increasing to \$200 for a second violation and \$500 for additional violations.

The bill does not require any state agency to provide information about the restrictions on plastic bags or to enforce the measure. Thus, no state expenditures are anticipated.

Departments Contacted

Public Health and Environment

Judicial