


Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note
STATE
FISCAL IMPACT

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Gibbs
 Rep. Fischer

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Bill Status: Senate Agriculture
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TITLE: CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF PET ANIMAL CARE REGULATION.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$15,612	\$15,612
Cash Funds		
Pet Animal Care and Facility Fund	(\$15,612)	(\$15,612)
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
FTE Position Change	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE
Effective Date: July 1, 2009.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2009-2010: Not required.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill continues the Pet Animal Care and Facilities Act (PACFA) until July 1, 2019, and the Pet Animal Advisory Committee indefinitely. Changes to the regulation of pet animal care and facilities by the PACFA program in the Department of Agriculture include:

- ▶ authorizing the Commissioner of Agriculture to set fees and dates for licensing;
- ▶ expanding the definition of pet animal to include rats and gerbils;
- ▶ allowing a person who breeds turtles to own turtles smaller than 4 inches;
- ▶ directing that fines collected for civil violations be deposited in the General Fund rather than the Pet Animal Care and Facility Fund;
- ▶ repealing the requirement that the commissioner consider the effect of a penalty on the ability of the person charged to stay in business; and
- ▶ requiring each licensed pet animal facility to display signage that contains contact information for the department.

State Revenue

The bill is expected to increase General Fund revenue by \$15,612 in both FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11 by directing civil fines to the General Fund. This reduces revenue to the Pet Animal Care Facility Fund by the same amount.

State Expenditures

The PACFA program is responsible for licensing pet care facilities where pet animals are kept for adoption, breeding, boarding, grooming, handling, selling, sheltering, trading or otherwise transferring. The program is cash funded by facility license fees through the Pet Animal Care Facility Fund. The program budget for FY 2008-09 is \$494,696 with 5.5 FTE. The requirements of SB09-118 are not expected to increase or decrease expenditures for the program so no change in appropriations is required.

Departments Contacted

Agriculture