


Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note
**STATE CONDITIONAL
 FISCAL IMPACT**

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 Rep. Looper

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A FOOD SYSTEMS ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2010-2011	FY 2011-2012
State Revenue		
Cash Funds		
Food Systems Advisory Council Fund*	\$26,042	\$26,187
State Expenditures		
Cash Funds		
Food Systems Advisory Council Fund*	\$22,531	\$22,531
FTE Position Change	0.4 FTE	0.4 FTE
Effective Date: August 11, 2010, assuming the General Assembly adjourns May 12, 2010, as scheduled and no referendum petition is filed.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2010-2011: See State Appropriations section.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

* *State revenue and expenditures are **conditional**, contingent on support from federal funds and gifts, grants, and donations.*

Note: Pursuant to Joint Rule 22(b)(2), this fiscal note reflects the costs of the proposed Amendment L.002 which strikes everything below the enacting clause of the original bill.

Summary of Legislation

With Amendment L.002, the bill creates the 13-member Colorado Food Systems Advisory Council comprised of stakeholders and representatives from state agencies. The purpose of the council is to foster a healthy food supply, expand the viability of agriculture, and improve the health of Coloradans. The council has the following duties:

- identify best practices in the food system;
- develop recommendations for local food economies;
- develop recommendations for food access;
- collaborate with local and regional food councils; and
- promote the "Colorado Proud" marketing program.

The council is required to meet at least four times a year and prepare an annual report for the General Assembly. Any costs for staffing the council and reimbursing members for travel costs is to be paid from gifts, grants, and donations; the bill creates the Food Systems Advisory Council Cash Fund for this purpose. If sufficient moneys are not received, the council will not meet or prepare the annual report. The council will have a sunset review prior to being repealed on July 1, 2013.

State Revenue

The bill allows the council to seek, accept, and spend federal moneys and other gifts, grants, and donations to cover the costs for the council. Based on the expenditures described in this fiscal note, the council would need to obtain at least ***\$26,042 in federal funds or private gifts, grants, or donations*** beginning in FY 2010-11, although actual collections may vary greatly from this amount.

State Expenditures

Beginning in FY 2010-11, the Food Policy Council requires \$22,531 and 0.4 FTE to staff the council and report annually to the General Assembly. These costs are ***conditional***, contingent on receiving sufficient federal funding or other funding from gifts, grants, and donations. The bill does not specify a specific department to support the council.

Council members are entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses. It is assumed that the council meetings will take place in a central location; however, the Governor is required to appoint people to the council to ensure the geographic diversity of the state. The fiscal note assumes that 4 members of the council will be from outside of the metro area and require travel costs for 4 meetings a year totaling \$4,000. An additional \$500 is needed to reimburse metro members for mileage and parking. Table 1 provides an overview of the costs for the council.

Cost Components	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12
Personal Services	\$18,031	\$18,031
FTE	0.4	0.4
Travel reimbursement	4,500	4,500
TOTAL	\$22,531	\$22,531

Expenditures Not Included

Pursuant to a Joint Budget Committee policy, certain costs associated with this bill are addressed through the annual budget process and centrally appropriated in the Long Bill or supplemental appropriations bills, rather than in this bill. The centrally appropriated costs subject to this policy are summarized in Table 2.

Table 2. Expenditures Not Included Under SB10-106*		
Cost Components	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12
Employee Insurance (Health, Life, Dental, and Short-term Disability)	\$2,840	\$2,840
Supplemental Employee Retirement Payments	671	816
TOTAL	\$3,511	\$3,656

**More information is available at: <http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/CGA-LegislativeCouncil/CLC/1200536133924>*

State Appropriations

In FY 2010-11, the bill requires an appropriation of \$22,531 and 0.4 FTE. At this time, no specific state agency has been identified to receive this appropriation.

Departments Contacted

Public Health and Environment
Education
Governor

Agriculture
Local Affairs

Human Services
Treasurer