JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING HOME HEALTH CARE THROUGH TELEMEDICINE PURSUANT TO THE "COLORADO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ACT".

Prime Sponsors: Representative Massey JBC Analyst: Melodie Beck

Senator Foster Phone: 303-866-2061 Date Prepared: March 31, 2010

<u>Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 01/29/10 Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note Was Prepared</u>

None.

	Concurs	Does Not Concur	XXX	Updated Analysis
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For FY 2010-11 there is an enhanced federal match available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) through June 30, 2011. See the Amendments/Appropriation status sections for more detail.

Amendments/Appropriation Status

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause. Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating \$123,270 total funds to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing in FY 2010-11. Of this amount, \$47,348 shall be from the General Fund and \$75,922 shall be from federal funds.

Bill Sponsor Amendments

Staff is not aware of any sponsor amendments to be offered.

Points to Consider

This bill expands reimbursement for telemedicine services under the state Medicaid program. When this bill is fully implemented in FY 2011-12, the bill will increase General Fund expenditures by \$156,288 as described in the Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note dated January 29, 2010.