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TITLE: CONCERNING AMENDMENTS TO THE "COLORADO FORECLOSURE

PROTECTION ACT".

Summary of Legislation

The Colorado Foreclosure Protection Act requires equity purchasers to follow specific requirements when taking an equity interest in a residential home that is in default. HB10-1133 repeals subpart 3 of the act, and the corresponding definition of an equity purchaser.

The bill takes effect August 11, 2010, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 12, 2010, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

Assessment

HB10-1133 will not affect state or local revenue or expenditures, and is therefore assessed as having no fiscal impact.

With certain exceptions, an equity purchaser is defined as a person who, in the course of the person's business, vocation, or occupation, acquires title to a residence in foreclosure. Under current law, an equity purchaser must insert a recision period into a contract and provide specific disclosures about a homeowner's rights to share in any equity that results from the sale of the home. The bill eliminates these requirements. As such, the enforcement provisions available to the attorney general and district attorneys when enforcing the act, are also removed.

Departments Contacted

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