


Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note
STATE
FISCAL IMPACT

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Lambert
 Sen. White

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Bill Status: House Appropriations
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TITLE: CONCERNING THE REPEAL OF THE PILOT PROGRAMS ON THE USE OF TELEMEDICINE, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION THEREFOR.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011	FY 2011-2012
State Revenue			
State Expenditures			
<u>Total</u>	(\$ 317,500)	(\$ 380,000)	(\$ 380,000)
General Fund	(158,750)	(190,000)	(190,000)
Federal Funds	(158,750)	(190,000)	(190,000)
FTE Position Change			
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.			
Appropriation Summary for FY 2010-2011: See State Appropriations section.			
Local Government Impact: See Local Government Impact section.			

Summary of Legislation

This bill is recommended by the JBC as part of the budget balancing package. It repeals a telemedicine pilot program conducted by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing. The pilot program studies the use of telemedicine to manage and treat patients with congestive heart failure, diabetes, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The bill adjusts the FY 2009-10 Long Bill appropriations.

State Expenditures

This bill results in expenditure reductions for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing of **\$317,000 in FY 2009-10 and \$380,000 per year beginning in FY 2010-11.** The telehealth disease management contract for the pilot program was suspended by executive order in August 2009 and this bill eliminates the statutory requirement for the program. Reduced expenditures reflect the elimination of this contract. This analysis assumes that the program would continue on after its current repeal date of July 1, 2010.

State Appropriations

The bill includes the required appropriations for FY 2009-10. Reduced expenditures in FY 2010-11 will be addressed through budget process.

Departments Contacted

Health Care Policy and Financing