



Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

NO FISCAL IMPACT

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

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION TO ASSIST A CHIEF OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE INVESTIGATION OF A FIRE RELATED TO THE CRIME OF ARSON.

Summary of Legislation

The bill allows local fire chiefs to request assistance from the Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) for arson investigations. Currently, CBI responds to requests for assistance in investigations from local law enforcement agencies, but not from fire departments. This bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor or upon becoming law without his signature.

Assessment

The bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact. It streamlines the process for the CBI to assist in arson investigations. Currently, the CBI has to wait until the request comes from the local law enforcement agency. With this bill, the CBI will be able to respond to requests for assistance from local fire departments without waiting for the notification from law enforcement.

Departments Contacted

Public Safety