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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Ferrandino Bill Status: House Health and Environment

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TITLE: CONCERNING A COMMITTEE TO STUDY DEDICATED SOURCES OF REVENUE

IN THE STATE CONSTITUTION RELATED TO HEALTH CARE.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	
State Revenue			
State Expenditures General Fund	\$20,288		
FTE Position Change	0.4 FTE		
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.			
Appropriation Summary for FY 2011-2012: See State Appropriations section.			
Local Government Impact: None.			

Summary of Legislation

Recommended by the Joint Budget Committee, this bill creates a 15-member interim committee to study issues related to state constitutional provisions dedicating the use of certain revenues for health care programs. The committee is to meet no more than 3 times to study the Health Care Affordability Act of 2009 (House Bill 09-1293, which established the hospital provider fee) and recent federal health care law and determine whether constitutional adjustments would increase federal moneys received by the state. The committee is required to issue its findings in writing by November 30, 2011.

The committee is composed of a variety of stakeholders including legislators, the Governor, staff of certain state agencies, a user of public health services, hospital and clinic providers, subject matter experts, and the public. Committee members are required to serve without compensation or reimbursement for expenses, and Legislative service agencies are required to support the committee within existing appropriations.

State Expenditures

The Legislature is budgeted each year with resources to support a limited number of interim committees of the General Assembly (5). If this interim committee is not designated by the Legislative Council to be one of the prioritized committees, or if the costs of this interim committee

are not included in the budgeted amount, the Legislative Branch will incur additional costs to support the interim committee, as shown in Table 1. The committee includes 6 legislators, however the bill specifies that no per diem or reimbursements for expenses are allowed.

Table 1. Expenditures Under HB11-1171		
Cost Components	FY 2011-12	
Personal Services	\$20,288	
Senior Research Assistant (0.3 FTE) and Staff Attorney (0.1 FTE)		
TOTAL	\$20,288	

State Agencies. Representatives from the Governor's Office, and the Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing and Human Services are to serve on the interim committee. Participation is expected to have a minimal impact on agency workload, but does not require a new appropriation.

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 HB11-1171*		
Cost Components	FY 2011-12	
Employee Insurance (Health, Life, Dental, and Short-term Disability)	\$2,840	
Supplemental Employee Retirement Payments	918	
TOTAL	\$3,758	

^{*}More information is available at: http://colorado.gov/fiscalnotes

State Appropriations

This bill requires that staffing and expenses related to the interim committee be absorbed within existing resources. However, Legislative Council Staff and the Office of Legislative Legal Services staff may not be able to complete the work within existing resources. No appropriations are required if this interim committee is prioritized by the Legislative Council. If the committee is not selected, in FY 2011-12, the Legislative Department will require \$20,288 General Fund and 0.4 FTE.

Departments Contacted

Governor's Office Human Services Health Care Policy & Financing Legislative Branch