Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

STATE FISCAL IMPACT

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE HONOR AND REMEMBER FLAG.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: August 10, 2011, assuming the General Assembly adjourns May 11, 2011, as scheduled and no referendum petition is filed.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2011-2012: None required.		

Summary of Legislation

Local Government Impact: None.

The bill requires the Honor and Remember Flag to be displayed on the State Capitol grounds on Memorial Day and Veterans' Day. Other state institutions are permitted, but not required, to display the flag on these holidays. Under current law, only the U.S. and Colorado flags may be displayed at state buildings. The Honor and Remember Flag is a memorial to all American service men and women who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

State Expenditures

The requirement that the Honor and Remember Flag be displayed on the State Capitol grounds on Memorial Day and Veterans' Day will increase costs in the Department of Personnel and Administration by \$770. Based on specification of the flag in the proposed bill, the department, which is responsible for maintenance and coordination of activities on the Capitol grounds, will have one-time costs to acquire flags and associated hardware.

The bill does not require an appropriation. Operating expenses for maintaining the Capitol Complex are paid from reappropriated funds in the Department of Personnel Revolving Fund. The department's existing authority includes procurement of materials, such as replacement flags for the Capitol grounds. This fiscal note assumes that the costs of this bill will be absorbed within existing appropriations.

Departments Contacted