Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

STATE FISCAL IMPACT

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SHORT TITLE: LEGAL STANDING OF PUBLIC OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2014-2015	FY 2015-2016
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Possible workload increase.	
FTE Position Change		
Appropriation Required: None		

Summary of Legislation

This bill clarifies that any person denied, or threatened with denial, of any of the rights provided by the Open Meetings Law (OML) has legal standing to challenge the violation of the OML.

State Expenditures

This bill clarifies current law, and may result in an increase in case filings for violations of the OML, resulting in a workload increase to the courts. Workload increases are assumed to be minimal and no increases in appropriations are required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature, and applies to meetings held on or after this date.

State and Local Government Contacts

Judicial