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STATE FISCAL IMPACT

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BILL TOPIC: STATEWIDE FINANCIAL IT SYSTEMS MODIFICATIONS FOR DPA

Fiscal Impact Summary*	FY 2015-2016	FY 2016-2017
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Appropriation Required: None.		

Summary of Legislation

Recommended by the Joint Budget Committee, this bill requires the Department of Personnel and Administration (DPA) to develop a method for billing users of the department's statewide financial and human resources information technology services for the full cost of the services. Currently, users are billed through common policies established through the Long Bill.

It also creates the Statewide Financial Information Technology Systems Cash Fund to receive all revenue from billings. Moneys in the fund are subject to annual appropriation to the DPA for the costs of information technology maintenance and upgrades, as well as the direct and indirect costs of the department in connection with statewide financial and human resources information technology systems. All interest earned on the investment of moneys in the fund is credited to the fund, and any unexpended and unencumbered moneys are to remain in the fund at the end of any given fiscal year.

Background

The Colorado Operations Resource Engine (CORE) is the state's primary accounting system. It is maintained by the Office of the State Controller in the DPA along with other financial records. Beginning with FY 2015-16, administrative oversight and appropriations for CORE are transferred to the DPA from the Governor's Office of Information Technology. The FY 2015-16 Long Bill includes state agency common policy allocations that total \$10,355,144 for CORE operations.

State Revenue and Expenditures

The bill creates a new cash fund to support CORE and other systems in the DPA, but will not otherwise affect state expenditures. Beginning in FY 2015-16, revenue from billings for certain functions of the state controller will be credited to the new Statewide Financial Information Technology Systems Cash Fund and made available for appropriations to support the systems. These changes will not require any new appropriations beyond those made in the Long Bill.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

Personnel