Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

STATE FISCAL IMPACT

Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Lambert Bill Status: Senate Appropriations

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BILL TOPIC: PROHIBIT CLOSURE OF BEDS FOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY WAIVER

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

^{*} This summary shows changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year.

Summary of Legislation

This bill, **recommended by the Joint Budget Committee**, prohibits the Department of Human Services (DHS) from closing or selling state-operated regional center beds for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities prior to May 16, 2016. The bill requires the DHS to maintain an adequate number of beds to accommodate individuals who do not successfully transition from a regional center to a community based setting.

State Expenditures

While the bill prohibits the DHS from closing or selling state-operated regional center beds before May 16, 2016, the bill is not expected to impact state revenues or expenditures. The fiscal note assumes that the DHS was not in the process of immediately closing or selling any state-operated regional center beds and will curtail any activity that may currently be under consideration until after May 16, 2016.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 5, 2015, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2015, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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