Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

NO FISCAL IMPACT

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BILL TOPIC: PROPERTY TAX ESCROW SAME AS FEDERAL RESPA

Summary of Legislation

The bill conforms state law regarding requirements for property taxes held in mortgage escrow accounts to requirements under the federal Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA). Specifically, the bill repeals a May 30 date for final settlement and refund of any excess funds in escrow, changing this provision to reference the time and manner of refunds under RESPA.

Background

RESPA (12 U.S.C. §§ 2601–2617.1) was created at the federal level to govern residential real estate transactions during mortgage settlements subject to federal regulation.

Assessment

This bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact. Real estate transactions governed by the bill are conducted between private parties. Neither the Division of Property Taxation nor assessors will be impacted by this bill.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Assessors Property Taxation Local Affairs Counties Personnel Law

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