

Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

**STATE
FISCAL IMPACT**

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BILL TOPIC: CROSS-SYSTEM RESPONSE PILOT INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY

Fiscal Impact Summary*	FY 2015-2016	FY 2016-2017
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	\$1,695,000	\$845,000
Cash Funds	\$1,695,000	\$845,000
FTE Position Change		
Appropriation Required: \$1,695,000 - Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (FY2015-16).		

* This summary shows changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. Transfers and diversions result in no net change to state revenue. Parentheses indicate a decrease in funds.

Summary of Legislation

The bill, **recommended by the Joint Budget Committee**, establishes the Cross-System Response for Behavioral Health Crises Pilot Program (pilot program) in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF). The pilot program will support collaborative approaches to provide a cross-system response to behavioral health crises for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and a mental health or behavioral disorder. The pilot program will coordinate services among Medicaid state plan services, Medicaid school-based health services, home- and community-based waiver services, and the capitated mental health care system. The HCPF will oversee multiple pilot sites representing different geographic regions of the state. The HCPF will enter into an interagency agreement with the Department of Human Services (DHS) to jointly manage the integration of the pilot program with the Colorado Behavioral Health Crisis Response System.

The pilot program will begin by March 1, 2016, and operate until March 1, 2019. By July 1, 2017, and every July 1 thereafter, the HCPF must conduct a cost analysis of the services that would need to be added to eliminate service gaps and ensure that individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities are fully included in the Colorado behavioral health system. The bill also establishes the Cross-System Response for Behavioral Health Crises Pilot Program Fund in the HCPF. The pilot program repeals on July 1, 2019.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state cash fund expenditures in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) by \$1,695,000 in FY 2015-16 and \$845,000 in FY 2016-17. These costs are summarized in Table 1 and discussed below.

Table 1. Expenditures Under HB 15-1368			
Cost Components	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
Two Pilot Program Sites	\$995,000	\$845,000	\$845,000
Capital Expenses	\$700,000		
TOTAL	\$1,695,000	\$845,000	\$845,000

Pilot program sites. The bill authorizes the HCPF to select multiple sites for the pilot program to operate. The fiscal note assumes that the HCPF will select two sites that are geographically representative of the state. The estimated first year cost of each pilot program site is \$497,500, for an annual cost of \$995,000. These costs include providing a project coordinator, administrative support, medical providers, direct service providers, data analysis and program evaluation, in addition to facility maintenance. Costs per site are estimated at \$422,500 in the second and third years, for a total of \$845,000.

Capital expenses. In FY 2015-16, the bill requires one time capital expenses of \$350,000 per facility, for an annual cost of \$700,000. These costs include sufficient funding for the pilot program sites to acquire additional services for program participants if the program sites do not have the resources to provide these services in house.

Effective Date

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

State Appropriations

In FY 2015-16, the bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$1,695,000 to the Cross-System Response for Behavioral Health Crises Pilot Program Fund from the Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Services Cash Fund. This amount will be reappropriated to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing
Human Services

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