

**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Acree
Sen. Morse

Bill Status: Signed into Law

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUNSET REVIEW OF THE COLD CASE TASK FORCE.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
General Fund	\$1,000	\$1,000
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect April 12, 2012.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013: None required.		
Local Government Impact: See Local Government Impact section.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill expands the Cold Case Task Force to include a forensic pathologist and extends the task force's repeal date to September 1, 2019. Under current law, the task force is set to expire on July 1, 2012.

Background

The 15-member Cold Case Task Force was established under House Bill 07-1272 and is comprised of representatives from the Department of Public Safety (DPS), Attorney General's Office, Colorado District Attorney's Council, statewide victims advocacy organizations, sheriffs, police chiefs, and victims' families. Members serve without compensation, but are entitled to receive reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with their service.

State Expenditures

By continuing the task force past its repeal date and beginning in FY 2012-13, this bill will increase state General Fund expenditures by an estimated \$1,000 per year to reimburse member expenses. The DPS currently pays these costs and does not require a new appropriation. The bill will also increase workload by a minimal amount for the state agencies that serve as representatives on the task force, including representatives of the director of the DPS and the Attorney General. This analysis assumes these agencies can perform this work within existing appropriations.

Local Government Impact

By continuing the task force past its repeal date and beginning in FY 2012-13, this bill increases workload for appointed district attorney's, sheriffs, and police chiefs as a result of their service. This analysis assumes workload increase for these agencies is minimal.

Departments Contacted

Governor's Office

Law

Public Safety

Regulatory Agencies