

# FISCAL NOTE

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TITLE: CONCERNING REQUIRING THE COMMISSION ON FAMILY MEDICINE TO

SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENCY

PROGRAMS.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
General Fund	\$500,000	
Federal Funds	\$500,000	
FTE Position Change		

**Effective Date:** The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 24, 2013, and takes effect August 7, 2013, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

Appropriation Summary for FY 2013-2014: See State Appropriations section

**Local Government Impact:** None

#### **Summary of Legislation**

This bill requires that, in addition to existing duties, the Advisory Commission on Family Medicine (COFM) in the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) support the development of rural family medicine residency programs.

#### **Background**

Created by the General Assembly in 1977, COFM works to recruit, educate, and retain family medicine physicians, especially in rural and underserved communities in the state. COFM is comprised of citizen members appointed by the Governor, and includes the directors from the state's 9 family medicine residencies, the dean of the University of Colorado School of Medicine, and a representative from the Colorado Academy of Family Physicians.

## **State Expenditures**

The statutory changes contained in the bill do not require an appropriation to implement; however, the Senate Appropriations Committee added an appropriations clause providing \$1,000,000 for FY 2013-14 to the Advisory Commission on Family Medicine in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for the development of family medicine residency programs in rural areas. Of this amount \$500,000 is from the General Fund and \$500,000 is anticipated from federal funds.

## **State Appropriations**

For FY 2013-14, this bill appropriates \$500,000 General Fund to The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.

# **Departments Contacted**

**Higher Education** 

Public Health & Environment