



## Fiscal Note

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## HB 25-1234: UTILITY CONSUMER PROTECTION

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**Prime Sponsors:**

Rep. Ricks; Joseph  
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**Bill Outcome:** Signed into Law**Drafting number:** LLS 25-0337**Version:** Final Fiscal Note**Date:** August 7, 2025**Fiscal note status:** The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

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### Summary Information

**Overview.** The bill prohibits utilities from selling customer data and limits when they can disconnect services.

**Types of impacts.** The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- Minimal State Workload

**Appropriations.** No appropriation is required.

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**Table 1**  
**State Fiscal Impacts**

<b>Type of Impact</b>	<b>Budget Year FY 2025-26</b>	<b>Out Year FY 2026-27</b>
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

## Summary of Legislation

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The Department of Human Services determines eligibility for the Colorado Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP), which allows individuals to receive assistance payments for their utility bills from the state’s nonprofit partner, Energy Outreach Colorado. The bill specifies that, if the department denies an application for insufficient documentation, it must allow the applicant an opportunity to correct or complete the application. It must notify the applicant’s utility that the application is under review, which triggers a disconnection hold on the applicant’s utility service. This only applies to investor-owned utilities.

The bill also prohibits the department from requiring citizenship or immigration status information on the application, and from sharing any such information with federal law enforcement agencies unless required by law or a court order.

## State Expenditures

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The bill may increase workload in the Department of Human Services to update forms or procedures for the LEAP program. The bill requirements regarding incomplete applications are consistent with current practices, and any change in workload is expected to be minimal.

## Effective Date

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This bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 4, 2025.

## State and Local Government Contacts

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Human Services  
Law

Municipalities  
Regulatory Agencies

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The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).