



Fiscal Note

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HB 25-1295: FOOD TRUCK OPERATIONS

Prime Sponsors:

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Sen. Roberts; Carson

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Bill Outcome: Signed into Law**Drafting number:** LLS 25-0880**Version:** Final Fiscal Note**Date:** June 25, 2025**Fiscal note status:** This final fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill requires local governments to accept a food truck operator's fire safety permit and health license that were received in a different local jurisdiction.

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

- Minimal State Workload
- Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
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

The bill requires local governments to accept fire safety permits for food truck operators that received the permit in another local jurisdiction, if certain conditions are met. The Division of Fire Prevention and Control in the Department of Public Safety (CDPS) must adopt fire safety codes and standards for local governments to use in relation to food truck operations.

Additionally, the bill requires the City and County of Denver to permit a food truck operator with an active state health department license to operate within its jurisdiction, so long as the operator meets specific ongoing requirements. It also specifies that a food truck operator with an active Denver food license is considered to hold a valid state health department license and allows those mobile establishments to operate in another local jurisdiction.

State Expenditures

In FY 2025-26, workload will minimally increase in the Division of Fire Prevention and Control in CDPS to adopt fire safety codes and standards related to food truck operations. This workload is expected to be minimal and no change in appropriations is required. Workload may also increase in the Department of Public Health and Environment if food truck operators violate the bill's provisions and the department takes enforcement action.

Local Government

Starting in FY 2025-26, the bill may impact local government revenue and workload. If food truck operators begin operating in local jurisdictions that they otherwise would not have, workload to review permit submissions and modify licensing systems may increase. However, if those food truck operators would have applied for standard licensing and permitting regardless of the bill, revenue will decrease from reduced standard fee amounts. These impacts depend on actions taken by food truck operators and cannot be estimated.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 20, 2025, and takes effect on January 1, 2026, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties
Local Affairs
Municipalities

Public Health and Environment
Special District Association