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Richard D. Lamm, Governor

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- WHEREAS, the Office of State Planning and Budgeting is statutorily required to fulfill the Executive Department responsibilities for legislative fiscal notes as required by Joint Rule 22 of the General Assembly; and
- WHEREAS, the implementation of a fiscal note process adhered to by all agencies of the Executive Department will enhance the quality of fiscal notes prepared for the General Assembly; and
- WHEREAS, better knowledge of the fiscal impact on legislation on State and local governments will contribute to responsible decision-making in both the Legislative and Executive Departments; and
- WHEREAS, the cooperation of all agencies of the Executive Department is essential to the completion of accurate and timely fiscal notes; and
- WHEREAS, the Governor, being tasked with the responsibility of enforcing duly enacted laws of the State of Colorado;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the laws of the State of Colorado, do hereby direct that the policies and procedures established by the Office of State Planning and Budget through the document entitled <u>Colorado Fiscal Note Manual</u> dated December, 1981, and including any subsequent amendments approved by the Governor, shall be adhered to by all agencies for the preparation of fiscal notes resulting from the introduction of legislation by members of the General Assembly. I further direct that all agencies cooperate to the utmost with the Office of State Planning and Budgeting in ensuring that all fiscal notes are properly documented and represent the best information available.

FURTHER, all estimates of fiscal impacts shall be prepared on the State of Colorado Fiscal Note Worksheets and shall be submitted to the Office of State Planning and Budgeting within the required deadlines. No worksheets shall be submitted to the General Assembly by any agency of the Executive Department prior to completion of the Fiscal Note by the Office of State

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Planning and Budgeting, Agencies may submit copies of the worksheet to members of the General Assembly provided the Office of State Planning and Budgeting is notified by the agency.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this <u>3rd</u> day of December, A.D., 1981.

Richard D. Lamm Governor

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