



*Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note*  
**NO FISCAL IMPACT**

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Sen. Guzman**Bill Status:** House Local Government**Fiscal Analyst:** Alex Schatz (303-866-4375)

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**TITLE:** CONCERNING THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER.**Summary of Legislation**

This bill aligns state statute with the home rule charter of the City and County of Denver and repeals the governor's discretion to appoint Denver's public trustee. Under the bill, Denver's public trustee is an officer specified in the city and county's charter or code. Qualifications of the public trustee in Denver are equivalent to those applied in other counties, including the execution of a performance bond. The bill takes effect August 7, 2013, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 8, 2013, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

**Background**

Denver is Colorado's only county of the first class for the purposes of public trustee statutes. Current state law requires the governor to appoint the public trustee in counties of the first class. A provision in Denver's charter states that the clerk and recorder serves as public trustee, and, in practice, the elected clerk and recorder has served as Denver's public trustee.

**Assessment**

This bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact. The bill codifies current practice and has no effect on state or local revenue and expenditures.

**Departments Contacted**Counties  
GovernorMunicipalities  
Public TrusteesLocal Affairs  
Property Taxation