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**SB17-250**

**FISCAL NOTE**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

**Drafting Number:** LLS 17-1024 **Date:** March 31, 2017  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Sen. Marble; Neville T. **Bill Status:** Senate Health and Human Services  
 Rep. Lebsock; Neville P. **Fiscal Analyst:** Bill Zepernick (303-866-4777)

**BILL TOPIC:** STUDENT EXEMPTION FROM IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Minimal workload increase.	
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: None.		

**Summary of Legislation**

Under current law, a student may be exempted from the immunization requirements for school attendance under either a medical or personal belief exemption. This bill specifies that a certification of a medical exemption submitted by a physician or advanced practice nurse or a statement of a personal belief exemption submitted by a parent, guardian, or emancipated student can be in letter form and that a form furnished by the Department of Public Health and Environment or the State Board of Health is not required. Correspondingly, the bill clarifies the rulemaking authority of the State Board of Health concerning the frequency that exemptions are submitted, rather than the frequency that exemption forms are submitted.

**State Expenditures**

The bill will increase workload in the Department of Public Health and Environment by a minimal amount in FY 2017-18 only to update the existing forms and immunization information on its website to reflect the changes under the bill. No change in appropriations is required to accomplish this work.

**School District Impact**

The bill will increase workload for schools and school districts by a minimal amount to train staff on the allowable ways that immunization exemptions may be submitted. Further, compiling data and tracking immunization statistics may take additional staff time when a variety of letter and certification formats are submitted compared with a standardized form developed by the state. These school district impacts are assumed to be minimal.

**Effective Date**

The bill takes effect August 9, 2017, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 10, 2017, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

Information Technology

Public Health and Environment

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