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FISCAL NOTE**

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Bill Status: Senate Education
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Bill Topic: SCHOOL DISTRICT-AUTHORIZED INSTRUCTORS

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue (<i>minimal</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure (<i>minimal</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill changes the experience requirement for teachers who are licensed in another state to obtain a Colorado teachers license. The bill increases state revenue and workload by a minimal amount on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the reengrossed bill.

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) may issue a professional teacher or special services license to an applicant who holds a comparable license in another state, and who has at least three years of continuous experience. The bill changes the experience requirement to be at least three years of experience within the previous seven years.

State Revenue

The bill potentially increases the number of license applications from previously licensed, out-of-state teachers to obtain a Colorado license, thus potentially increasing state revenue to the Educator Licensure Cash Fund in CDE beginning in FY 2018-19. The fee for a previously licensed, out of state teacher to obtain a Colorado license is \$110. CDE receives about 1,400 applications per year from teachers or special services providers who currently hold a similar license in another state; a one percent increase (14 new applications) would result in a revenue increase of \$1,540. The fiscal note assumes that any increase in the number of new applications as a result of the bill will be minimal.

TABOR Impact

The bill potentially increases state cash revenue subject to TABOR by a minimal amount in FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20. State revenue is not currently expected to exceed the TABOR limit in either year and no refund is required. Therefore, the bill is not expected to impact TABOR refunds in these years. However, refunds in future years when the state next collects a TABOR surplus will be increased by a minimal amount.

State Expenditures

The bill increases workload for CDE by a minimal amount beginning in FY 2018-19 to process additional license applications. CDE receives approximately 3,500 applications from out-of-state applicants per year, of which about 1,400 are from teachers or special services providers who currently hold a similar license in another state. It is anticipated that some potential applicants whose experience occurred more than seven years ago will no longer be able to apply; however, the fiscal note assumes that the bill will result in a minimal net increase in applications from those applicants whose years of experience are not consecutive. The additional workload is expected to be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 8, 2018, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 9, 2018, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Education Information Technology Public Safety School Districts