



Fiscal Note

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SB 26-100: YOUTH SPORTS SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill modifies the requirements for a criminal history record check for youth sports coaches and applies the same requirements to youth sports chaperones. It also requires that at least one adult who possesses a current first aid certification be present at each youth athletic activity.

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

- State Revenue
- Minimal State Workload
- Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

**Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts**

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2026-27	Out Year FY 2027-28
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 modifies requirements for coaches, chaperones, and adults present at youth sports activities.

Criminal History Record Checks

Under current law, a youth sports organization must require all coaches to obtain a criminal history record check from a private entity prior to employment, and prohibits organizations from hiring the coach if they have been convicted of certain crimes. The bill:

- applies the requirements to chaperones who accompany a youth sports organization on an overnight trip;
- requires that the check be completed every three years, cover seven years of records, and include aliases of the coach or chaperone;
- requires an international criminal history record check if the coach or chaperone lived out of the United States for more than 180 days in the past 10 years or since the last criminal history record check, unless they are in the country on a work visa;
- the check must ascertain whether the person has been convicted of a crime of violence or other crimes specified in the bill;
- a person, including a volunteer or employee, who is not required or unable to obtain a check must be supervised at all times by a person who has completed a check; and
- applies the requirements to a volunteer coach of a youth athletic activity by a local government.

Civil Actions

The bill requires that a plaintiff, in bringing a civil action for failure to perform a youth sports-required background check, must establish certain facts and circumstances.

First Aid and Medical Training

The bill requires that youth sports organizations ensure that at least one adult who possesses a current first aid, CPR, and AED certification is present at each youth athletic activity, and that coaches for local government youth sports hold valid certifications. The bill specifies what must be included in the certification courses.

State Revenue

The bill may minimally increase revenue to the Judicial Department from an increase in filing fees from civil case filings. Revenue from filing fees is subject to TABOR.

State Expenditures

The trial courts in the Judicial Department may have an increase in workload if additional civil cases are filed. The fiscal note assumes that youth sports organizations will comply with the law and any increase will be minimal.

Local Government

The bill increases workload and costs for local governments that operate youth sports activities to ensure that coaches and chaperones meet the requirements, including criminal history record checks, first aid, CPR, and AED certifications, and supervision.

The bill may also increase legal and liability costs for local governments to respond to allegations of noncompliance with the requirements of the bill. It is assumed that local governments will have a high level of compliance with the bill.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties

Municipalities

Judicial

Public Safety

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).