



Fiscal Note

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HB 26-1389: ELIMINATE COMPREHENSIVE HUMAN SEXUALITY EDUC GRANT PROGRAM

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill eliminates the requirement that the General Assembly annually appropriate money to the Comprehensive Human Sexuality Education Grant Program.

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

- State Expenditures
- School Districts

Appropriations. For FY 2026-27, the bill requires and includes a reduction in General Fund appropriations of \$991,025 to the Department of Public Health and Environment.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2026-27	Out Year FY 2027-28
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures (General Fund)	-\$991,025	-\$1,010,453
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	-1.3 FTE	-1.3 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill eliminates the requirement that the General Assembly annually appropriate money to the Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) for the Comprehensive Human Sexuality Education Grant Program.

Background

The Comprehensive Human Sexuality Education Grant Program provides grants to public schools to implement comprehensive human sexuality education. The program was created in [House Bill 13-1081](#), but no funding was provided and CDPHE was not required to implement the program unless sufficient funding was available. [House Bill 19-1032](#) modified the program and added a requirement that the General Assembly appropriate at least \$1.0 million per year for the program beginning in FY 2019-20.

State Expenditures

The bill decreases state General Fund expenditures in the CDPHE by \$991,025 in FY 2026-27 and about \$1.0 million in FY 2027-28 and future years.

The current FY 2025-26 appropriation for the program is \$1,010,453, which covers the costs associated with 1.3 FTE and approximately \$840,000 for grants. In FY 2026-27, CDPHE will retain \$19,428 to cover staff costs related to the General Fund pay date shift, resulting in an expenditure decrease of \$991,025. In FY 2027-28, the entire \$1,010,453 cost is eliminated.

School District

The bill reduces state funding for school districts that receive a grant from the program. In FY 2023-24, 17 grants were awarded to school districts and individual schools, with grant amounts ranging from \$10,000 to \$120,000.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect July 1, 2026. However, the appropriation changes in the bill only take effect if the Long Bill becomes law, in which case the appropriation change takes effect when this bill or the Long Bill take effect, whichever is later.

State Appropriations

For FY 2026-27, the bill requires and includes a reduction in General Fund appropriations of \$991,025 to Department of Public Health and Environment, and a reduction of 1.3 FTE.

In addition, the bill includes technical language making this reduction in appropriations conditional on sufficient appropriations being available in the applicable line item in the FY 2026-27 Long Bill.

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