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FISCAL NOTE

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

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BILL TOPIC: NO FUNDING TRAFFICKING ABORTED HUMAN BODY PARTS

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	See State Expenditures section.	
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: See State Expenditure section.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill prohibits state funding for any institution of higher education that engages in the purchase or trafficking of aborted human body parts. Each institution of higher education must submit a verified report to the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) by December 1 each year that states whether the institution has directly or indirectly purchased or trafficked aborted human body parts. If a report states that the institution did engage in the purchase or trafficking of aborted human body parts, the General Assembly may not appropriate any money to that institution for the following fiscal year.

Background

Current law. State and federal law prohibit the acquisition, receipt, or other transfer of human fetal tissue for valuable consideration if the transfer affects interstate or intrastate commerce. State law also prohibits the transfer of fetal tissue for research or for transplant purposes by a physician or institution that performs induced terminations of pregnancy.

State appropriations to institutions of higher education. In the FY 2016-17 Appropriations Act (the Long Bill), the governing boards of state institutions of higher education were appropriated a total of \$672.5 million, excluding tuition and fees. This appropriation was allocated to each institution as shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1. State Appropriations to Institutions of Higher Education	
Institution	FY 2016-17 Appropriation
Adams State University	\$14,076,360
Aims Community College	8,446,176
Area Technical Colleges	9,971,721
Colorado Mesa University	24,280,729
Colorado Mountain College	7,143,039
Colorado School of Mines	20,639,050
Colorado State University System	134,518,307
Community College System	153,330,147
Fort Lewis College	11,481,200
Metropolitan State University of Denver	51,415,001
University of Colorado System	186,532,686
University of Northern Colorado	39,113,234
Western State Colorado University	11,534,927
TOTAL	\$672,482,577

State Expenditures

The bill decreases state General Fund expenditures beginning in FY 2017-18 for any state institution of higher education that affirms to the JBC that the institution directly or indirectly purchased or trafficked aborted human body parts in the previous fiscal year. This fiscal note assumes that all institutions of higher education will comply with applicable federal and state laws. As such, no change in appropriations is anticipated.

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.

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