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BILL TOPIC: MODERN TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Future Year Impacts: None.

Summary of Legislation

This bill, as amended by the House Education Committee, modifies state academic standards for kindergarten through twelfth grade public education (K12). Under current law, the State Board of Education (SBE) is required to revise and re-adopt academic content standards by July 1, 2018, and every six years thereafter. This bill requires that, when revising and re-adopting the standards, the board incorporate into the standards for each subject skills relating to the use of information and communications technologies to find, evaluate, create, and communicate information.

No later than July 1, 2018, the bill requires that the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) create and maintain a resource bank of materials pertaining to computer science course material and programs for the optional use by school districts and charter schools.

State Expenditures

For FY 2017-18 only, this bill increases state expenditures by $11,488 for the CDE to conduct a series of meetings to engage experts in creating the resource bank of computer science education materials for access by teachers. The department will incur travel and meeting costs of $11,488. The remaining workload to create the resource bank and make it available can be accomplished with existing appropriations.

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 Appropriations

For FY 2017-18, this bill requires a General Fund appropriation of $11,488 to the Colorado Department of Education.

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