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HB 20-1241

FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsors: Rep. Benavidez; Kipp

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Bill Status: House Judiciary
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Bill Topic: ISSUE PROFESSIONAL LICENSE LAWFUL US PRESENCE

- Summary of Fiscal Impact:
- State Revenue
- State Expenditure
- State Transfer
- TABOR Refund
- Local Government
- Statutory Public Entity

This bill requires the Colorado Supreme Court to issue a license to practice law and the Department of Education to issue a teaching license to people who meet the licensing requirements and have current employment authorization issued by the U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services, are lawfully present, and have a valid social security number. This will increase state workload on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires the Colorado Supreme Court to issue a license to practice law and the Department of Education to issue a teaching license to people who meet the respective licensing requirements and satisfy the following requirements:

- have current employment authorization issued by the United States Citizen and Immigration Services;
• are lawfully present pursuant to federal law; and
• have a social security number issued by the United States Social Security Administration.

State Expenditures

This bill may increase workload for both the Colorado Supreme Court in the Judicial Department and the Department of Education to review the new requirements when evaluating an application for licensure. Any workload increase can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 5, 2020, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2020, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Education

Information Technology

Judicial