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SB 20-009

FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Zenzinger; Rankin Rep. McLachlan	Bill Status:	Senate Education
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Bill Topic: **EXPAND ADULT EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM**

Summary of Fiscal Impact: **No fiscal impact.** The bill makes modifications to the Adult Literacy and Education grant program in the Colorado Department of Education. The bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact on state or local revenue or expenditures.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

The bill makes modifications to the Adult Literacy and Education grant program in the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). Notably, this bill:

- adds language to the legislative declaration;
- redefines the eligible recipients of grants and distinguishes these adult education provider organizations as distinct from local education providers (LEPs), a term typically reserved specifically for K12 schools and school districts; and
- modifies the criteria the CDE and the State Board of Education consider to evaluate applications and award grants.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

The Adult Literacy and Education grant program receives about \$1.0 million annually and is administered by 1.0 FTE at the CDE. This bill makes no changes to the program's annual funding or basic operations. The bill changes some definitions, clarifies the intended recipients of grant funding, and expands the criteria used to evaluate applications and award grants. These changes do not increase workload or expenditures for the program. For these reasons, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

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.

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