A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY CHILDHOOD, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, TRANSFERRING MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION FUND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CAPITAL ACCOUNT AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

The bill changes the effective date for the department of early childhood from July 1, 2022, to the effective date of this bill. The bill
transfers $3,500,000 from the general fund to the information technology capital account in the capital construction fund, effective April 1, 2022, and appropriates that money to the department of early childhood for data system capital construction costs. The bill appropriates $326,413 to the department of early childhood for use by the executive director's office.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Session Laws of Colorado 2021, amend section 11 of chapter 307 as follows:

Section 11. Effective date. This act takes effect upon passage; except that sections 2 to 9 of this act take effect July 1, 2022 ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF HOUSE BILL 22-1197.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-75-302, amend (2.3)(i) and (2.3)(j); and add (2.3)(k) as follows:

24-75-302. Capital construction fund - capital assessment fees - calculation - information technology capital account - repeal.

(2.3) In addition to the sums transferred pursuant to subsections (2) and (2.5) of this section, the state treasurer and the controller shall transfer a sum as specified in this subsection (2.3) from the general fund to the information technology capital account created in subsection (3.7) of this section as money becomes available in the general fund during the fiscal year beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year in which the transfer is made or on April 1 of the fiscal year if otherwise specified. Transfers between funds pursuant to this subsection (2.3) are not appropriations subject to the limitations of section 24-75-201.1. The amounts transferred pursuant to this subsection (2.3) are as follows:

(i) On July 1, 2020, four hundred forty-five thousand dollars; and

(j) On July 1, 2021, twenty-seven million forty thousand three hundred two dollars; AND
(k) On April 1, 2022, three million five hundred dollars.

SECTION 3. Appropriation. (1) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, $326,413 is appropriated to the department of early childhood for use by the executive director's office. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the office may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) $245,837 for personal services, which amount is based on an assumption that the office will require an additional 1.8 FTE;
(b) $40,440 for operating expenses;
(c) $18,000 for health, life, and dental;
(d) $370 for short-term disability;
(e) $10,883 for amortization equalization disbursement; and
(f) $10,883 for supplemental amortization equalization disbursement.

SECTION 4. Capital construction information technology project appropriation. For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, $3,500,000 is appropriated to the department of early childhood. This appropriation is from the information technology capital account of the capital construction fund created in section 24-75-302 (3.7), C.R.S. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation for capital construction related to data systems to support the universal preschool program.

SECTION 5. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.