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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Marchman; Jaquez Lewis	Bill Status:	Senate Health & Human Services
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Bill Topic:	EMPLOYMENT OF SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS
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Summary of Fiscal Impact:	<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
	<input type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
	<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> School District

The bill allows school districts to employ licensed mental health professionals who are not licensed by the Department of Education. The bill minimally increases workload for school districts.

Appropriation Summary:	No appropriation is required.
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Fiscal Note Status:	The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.
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Summary of Legislation

The bill allows school districts to employ licensed mental health professionals who are not licensed by the Department of Education. These professionals may be supervised by either a mentor in the professional field in which they are licensed or by a school district administrator. School districts must conduct a fingerprint based criminal history background check of these additional employees.

School District

The bill allows school districts to hire additional licensed mental health professionals, provided they comply with fingerprinting and background check requirements. Any additional outreach and intake work for new employees is expected to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

Education
Regulatory Agencies

Human Services

Information Technology