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FISCAL NOTE

FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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BILL TOPIC: REPORTING REQUIREMENTS BY EDUCATION AGENCIES TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Workload reduction.	
Appropriation Required:	None.	
Future Year Impacts:	None.	

Summary of Legislation

This bill is **recommended by the Statutory Revision Committee**. Under current law, the requirement that certain reports be submitted to the General Assembly by an executive agency or the judicial branch expires after three years, unless otherwise specified in statute. This bill continues, repeals, or sets a future repeal dates for various reporting requirements in the Colorado Department of Education (CDE).

Firstly, the bill continues indefinitely the requirement that the department prepare legislative reports concerning:

- a survey of school district superintendents on principal effectiveness;
- the performance evaluation of the commissioner of education;
- information from local education providers on the implementation of the READ act;
- the Early Literacy Grant Program, the Adult Education and Literacy Grant Program, the School Turnaround Leaders Grant Program, the School Counselors Corps Grant Program, and the School Bullying Prevention and Education Grant Program;
- the effectiveness of the Colorado Preschool Program;
- the success or failure of charter schools and an annual report on bonds issued on behalf of charter schools;
- recommendations for legislative changes to the Colorado Charter School Institute;
- innovation schools and innovation districts;
- the effectiveness of services for expelled and at-risk students;
- financial statements of the Public School Fund;
- financial assistance provided through the Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) grant program;

- the total number of pupils expected to enroll in all qualified charter schools during the next fiscal year;
- operation of the Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind; and
- the use of a third party vendor teacher recruitment program.

Secondly, the bill repeals the requirement that the department prepare legislative reports concerning:

- the Teacher Development Grant Program;
- broad implementation of the Colorado Achievement Plan for Kids (CAP4K); and
- the Alternative Teacher Compensation Plan Grant Program.

And finally, the bill sets a future repeal date for legislative reporting requirements concerning:

- school readiness efforts, adoption of state academic content standards, and a postsecondary and workforce readiness definition; and
- supplemental online education.

State Expenditures

The bill reduces the workload of the CDE by eliminating the requirement that the department prepare certain reports. The remaining statutory changes in this bill either modify language in the statutes to align reporting requirements with current practice, or eliminate obsolete reporting requirements altogether.

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.

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