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HB17-1304

**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

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

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Singer; Ransom
Sen. Smallwood; Kefalas

Bill Status: Signed into Law

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BILL TOPIC: ADOPTEE PRESENT IN-STATE EXCEPTION

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, a child legally available for adoption must be present in the state at the time the petition for adoption is filed. This bill allows an adoption petition to be filed for a child located out of state if the child has been under a Colorado court's jurisdiction for at least six months.

Assessment

While this bill eases requirements on persons filing adoption petitions in certain situations, it is not expected to affect the workload of the trial courts in handling adoption cases. Therefore, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact on any state or local government agency.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 5, 2017, and it takes effect July 1, 2018.

State and Local Government Contacts

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