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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: K-12 SEIZURE SAFE SCHOOLS

- Summary of Fiscal Impact: State Revenue, State Expenditure, State Transfer, TABOR Refund, Local Government, School District

The bill address the unique health care needs of public school students with a seizure disorder. The bill increases school district workload on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

If a K12 school student has a diagnosed seizure disorder that might require assistance in a school setting, this bill requires that the student's legal guardian sign and submit a seizure action plan to the student's school.

Beginning September 1, 2020, and each September 1 thereafter, public schools are required to provide training on the recognition of the signs and symptoms of seizures, and the appropriate steps for seizure first aid. The training must be given to relevant school personnel who have direct contact with and supervision of students who have a seizure disorder.

Within eight weeks after enrolling a student with a seizure disorder, or following receipt of a seizure action plan, whichever is later, public schools are required to have at least one school employee who is properly trained to administer seizure treatment medications, seizure rescue medications, and other seizure related interventions. Non-public schools are encouraged to provide training and to have designated staff to administer seizure related medications and interventions.

School District

Currently, parents and guardians are not prohibited from submitting a preferred action plan to schools and districts concerning the unique needs of their child. Schools and districts make efforts to accommodate treatment and action plans provided by parents, so long as those plans do not conflict with other district policies for the care and treatment of students with unique needs. The

bill requires that a public school who enrolls a student with a seizure disorder have staff who are properly trained to administer medication and take other appropriate actions. This fiscal note assumes this is largely current practice; however, for any school that does not have the properly trained staff, some workload or expenses are expected.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Education School Districts