

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING FUNDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY CHILDHOOD FOR THE COLORADO UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL PROGRAM.

Prime Sponsors: Sens. Bridges and Zenzinger
Reps. Sirota and Bockenfeld

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Not Required, No Amendment in Packet

Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 03/27/23.

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| XXX | No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill |
| | Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i> |
| | Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared |
| | Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill |

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

| Amendment | Description |
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| None. | |

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill neither requires nor contains an appropriation clause for FY 2023-24.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The bill eliminates a General Fund transfer that would otherwise be required by law but has not yet occurred and replaces it with a required General Fund appropriation that is already made in the Long Bill. In so doing, the bill prevents a decrease in the required General Fund reserve. Previously, this money was appropriated for preschool programs in the Department of Education and the appropriation was subject to the required General Fund reserve. A transfer would not be subject to

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the required General Fund reserve.