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Fiscal Note

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Bill Topic: SUNSET ADVISORY COUNCIL PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION

Summary of Fiscal Impact:
State Revenue [ ] State Transfer [ ] Local Government [ ]
State Expenditure [x] TABOR Refund [ ] Statutory Public Entity [ ]

Sunset Bill. This bill continues the Colorado State Advisory Council for Parent Involvement in Education and associated grant program in the Department of Education, which are scheduled to repeal on September 1, 2024. State fiscal impacts under the bill include only the continuation of the program's current expenditures. The program is continued indefinitely.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2024-25, the bill requires an appropriation of \$33,364 to the Colorado Department of Education.

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

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 24-1255^1

Table with 4 columns: Category, Budget Year FY 2024-25, Out Year FY 2025-26. Rows include New Impacts (Revenue, Expenditures, Other Budget Impacts) and Continuing Impacts (Revenue, Expenditures, Other Budget Impacts).

^1 Table 1 shows the new impacts resulting from changes to the program under the bill, and the continuing impacts from extending the program beyond its current repeal date. Because the bill continues a program without making any changes, there are no new impacts. The continuing program impacts will end if the bill is not passed and the program is allowed to repeal.

## **Summary of Legislation**

Under current law, the Colorado State Advisory Council for Parent Involvement in Education and the Parent Involvement in Education Grant Program in the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) are repealed on September 1, 2024. The bill continues the council and grant program indefinitely.

## **Background**

The council was established in 2009 to review best practices and make recommendations related to increasing parent involvement in public education. Council members are appointed by the State Board of Education. The sunset report by the Department of Regulatory Agencies is available [here](#).

## **Continuing Program Impacts**

Based on recent expenditures, CDE is expected to have annual expenditures of \$33,364 to support the council. If this bill is enacted, these current expenditures will continue for the program starting in FY 2024-25. If this bill is not enacted, the program will end on September 1, 2024 and state expenditures will decrease by the amounts shown in Table 1 starting in FY 2024-25.

The grant program has never been implemented, as it was originally intended to be supported through gifts, grants, and donations but none were received. As a result, the fiscal note assumes there are no continuing expenditures associated with the grant program and that grants will only be awarded in future years if sufficient gifts, grants, and donations are received. The General Assembly may choose to appropriate funds for the program, at its discretion.

## **Other Budget Impacts**

**General Fund reserve.** Under current law, an amount equal to 15 percent of General Fund appropriations must be set aside in the General Fund statutory reserve. Based on this fiscal note, the bill is expected to increase the amount of General Fund held in reserve by the amounts shown in Table 1, decreasing the amount of General Fund available for other purposes.

## **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

## **State Appropriations**

For FY 2024-25, the bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$33,364 to the Colorado Department of Education.

## **State and Local Government Contacts**

### Education

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The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).