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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Cutter; McLachlan Sen. Pettersen; Coram	Bill Status:	House Education
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Bill Topic: MEDIA LITERACY IMPLEMENTATION

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires the state to adopt academic standards in media literacy for public schools and create a media literacy resource bank. The bill increases state workload on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires that the State Board of Education revise the academic content standards for reading, writing, and civics to include media literacy. The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) must create an online resource bank pertaining to media literacy and provide technical assistance implementing media literacy standards and best practices, if requested by schools or districts.

State Expenditures

Starting in FY 2021-22 workload in the CDE will increase to compile and maintain a media literacy resource bank and to provide support to school districts and charter schools in implementing revised standards. Media literacy content standards will be adopted as part of the next regular update of reading, writing, and civics standards. No change in appropriations is required.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Education Information Technology School Districts