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# **Fiscal Note**

Drafting Number: Prime Sponsors:	LLS 23-0925 Rep. Garcia; Young Sen. Zenzinger; Gonzales	Bill Status:	April 7, 2023 House Education John Armstrong   303-866-6289 john.armstrong@coleg.gov
Bill Topic:	TRANSLATING INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAMS		
Summary of Fiscal Impact:	•	ed Education Plan ne of the student.	OR Refund bol District utory Public Entity s to be translated into the dominant The bill increases state and school ng basis.
Appropriation Summary:	No appropriation is required.		
Fiscal Note Status:	The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.		

### **Summary of Legislation**

The bill requires Local Education Providers (LEPs) to translate individualized education plans (IEPs) to the primary language spoken in the home of a special education student. LEPs must consider the student's specific communication needs when developing the IEP.

## **State Expenditures**

The bill's will require the Department of Education (CDE) to update documents and guidance pertaining to acceptable uses of the Exceptional Children's Education Act funding and IEP translation. This additional workload is minimal and can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

## **School District**

The bill increases workload and costs for school districts in two main ways. First, the bill will require teachers and staff to consider additional communication-related factors when developing and administering a student's IEP. Costs will also increase to translate documents into a family's primary language. Costs to implement these requirements will vary between school districts.

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#### **Effective Date**

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

#### **State and Local Government Contacts**

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