

**STATE  
REVISED FISCAL IMPACT**

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<b>Prime Sponsor(s):</b> Sen. Hudak; Newell Rep. Nikkel	<b>Bill Status:</b> Legislative Council
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**TITLE:** CONCERNING A STUDY OF DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS TAKEN IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

<b>Fiscal Impact Summary</b>	<b>FY 2011-2012</b>	<b>FY 2012-2013</b>
<b>State Revenue</b>		
Cash Funds		
Legislative Department Cash Fund	Potential Gifts, Grants, and Donations	
<b>State Expenditures</b>	Potential Gifts, Grants, and Donations	
<b>FTE Position Change</b>		
<b>Effective Date:</b> Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.		
<b>Appropriation Summary for FY 2011-2012:</b> None.		
<b>School District Impact:</b> None.		

**Summary of Legislation**

This bill, *as amended by the Senate Judiciary committee*, creates a legislative task force to study and assess the interaction of school discipline practices with the juvenile justice system. The task force must include three legislators from each house of the General Assembly, and up to ten non-voting members with experience and knowledge in the areas of school discipline and juvenile justice, selected jointly by the chair and vice chair of the task force.

The task force must hold at least four public meetings. In addition to any testimony or written comments received, the task force must review any available, non-identifying state data collected by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE), school districts, or law enforcement agencies. The task force may also solicit information from national research organizations that have expertise in evidence-based practices for addressing school discipline issues.

No later than December 15, 2011, the task force must submit written recommendations for statutory changes to the Education and Judiciary committees of the General Assembly. The recommendations must be approved by a majority of the legislative members, and the task force may also issue a minority report, if necessary.

The task force may not receive compensation or reimbursement for expenses, and may not receive any General Fund monies to fulfill its duties; however, the task force may seek, accept, and spend public or private gifts, grants, or donations. Legislative Council staff and the Office of Legislative Legal Services are prohibited from providing staff support to the task force. The task force is repealed July 1, 2012.

### **State Revenue and Expenditures**

In FY 2011-12, the bill allows for public or private gifts, grants, or donations to support the task force in fulfilling its duties; however, no public or private donations have been identified. Any such monies are credited to and spent from the Legislative Department Cash Fund. The bill prohibits both General Fund appropriations for the task force and legislative staff support.

### **Departments Contacted**

Education

Public Safety