


Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note
LOCAL
FISCAL IMPACT

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Romer

Bill Status: Senate Education

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENT THAT STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS ENGAGE IN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY EACH WEEK.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: The bill is effective August 4, 2009, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2009, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2009-2010: None required.		
School District Impact: See School District Impact section.		

Summary of Legislation

SB09-131 requires school districts to adopt policies that incorporate 150 minutes of physical activity each week for children in kindergarten (full-day) through 12th grade. The policy must be adopted by December 1, 2009, and in effect for the 2010-11 school year. Districts that have higher requirements for physical activity prior to January 1, 2009, must retain these requirements.

School districts may require local wellness policy coordinators to oversee compliance with the bill. Districts must submit an annual report to the Department of Education (CDE) indicating the number of minutes per week children are engaging in physical activity.

State Expenditures

No state expenditures are anticipated under this bill. The CDE will receive reports from all school districts. This fiscal note assumes that the CDE will not analyze or process these reports and can receive them within existing appropriations. Costs may be incurred if the CDE is required to provide additional analysis or processing of the reports.

School District Impact

School districts will be responsible for complying with the bill's requirements. At a minimum, this will involve developing a policy describing acceptable physical activity and identifying reporting requirements to enable the district to make annual reports to the CDE. Districts may choose to assign staff to ensure compliance with the bill and may create more rigorous physical activity standards.

Schools will carry out the requirements of the bill. If the school does not currently provide 150 minutes of physical activity per week for all students, it may need to use time currently allotted for other activities.

Departments Contacted

Education