


 Colorado *Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note*
FINAL
FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Baumgardner Sen. King K.	Bill Status: Signed into Law
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TITLE: CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF SCHOOL VEHICLES.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2010-2011	FY 2011-2012
State Revenue		
Cash Funds		
Fines Collection Cash Fund	< \$ 5,000	< \$ 5,000
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: The bill was signed by the Governor and became law on April 28, 2010.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2010-2011: None required.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill defines "school vehicle" as a motor vehicle that is owned or leased by a school and is used to transport school children to and from school and school-related activities. The definition of "school bus" is changed to stipulate that a school bus is designed and used specifically for the transport of school children. School buses are one type of school vehicle.

The bill amends statutory provisions to clarify if the term school bus or school vehicle applies.

State Revenue

The bill substitutes "school vehicle" for "school bus" in Section 18-18-407, C.R.S.. This section identifies *special offenders* that are subject to higher prison sentencing terms and fines for illegal drug transactions or drug manufacturing.

Since the new definition of school vehicle increases the types of vehicles that can be engaged in student transport, the bill may lead to additional criminal violations filed with the courts. This fiscal note assumes that most, if not all, cases for which a person qualifies as a special offender in a school vehicle will occur under circumstances in which the person would qualify as a special

offender for other reasons (i.e., being within 1,000 ft of school grounds). However, it is possible that the bill will increase state revenue from fines, although less than \$5,000 in new state revenue is expected per year. Fine revenue that is not otherwise appropriated is deposited into the Fines Collection Cash Fund.

Departments Contacted

Judicial

Education

Revenue