JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATIONS FOR THE COLORADO CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO PROMOTE STABILITY IN EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE.

Prime Sponsors: Reps. Massey and Solano JBC Analyst: Amanda Bickel

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<u>Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 03/03/10 Legislative Council Staff</u> Revised Fiscal Note Was Prepared

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Amendments/Appropriation Status

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause. Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating \$249,700 federal Child Care Development Funds to the Department of Human Services for modifications to the Child Care Automated Tracking System for FY 2010-11. The amendment makes the section of the bill that provides the appropriation effective July 1, 2010, so that automated system changes can be completed before the effective date for other sections of the bill.

Bill Sponsor Amendments

Staff is not aware of any sponsor amendments to be offered.

Points to Consider

As reflected in the Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note dated 3/3/10, this bill could result in a reduction of up to 33 percent in the number of children and families served by the Child Care Assistance Program (a reduction of about 12,500 children and 7,800 families). This is based on a reduction in turnover within the Child Care Assistance Program, rather than a change to the number of children served at any given time.