

CONDITIONAL FISCAL IMPACT

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Fields

Bill Status: House Health and Environment

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A VOLUNTARY CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR TRAINING IN DEMENTIA CARE.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	See State Expenditures section	
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: August 10, 2011, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 11, 2011, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2011-2012: None required.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

Summary of Legislation

Contingent upon receipt of sufficient gifts, grants, and donations and by November 1, 2011, this bill allows the Colorado Alzheimer's Coordinating Council (Council) to develop a proposal for a statewide Alzheimer's disease and dementia care training certification program.

If sufficient funding is received, the Council is to establish a committee of its members and any other individuals necessary to develop the proposal, including staff from the Departments of Public Health and Environment and Regulatory Agencies and a member of the State Board of Nursing. The bill outlines issues to be considered, including training standards, to whom the program will apply, program oversight, time frames, and resource needs. The committee is to prepare a written report of its findings, including any legislation required to implement a training certification program, and submit the information to the Governor and relevant legislative committees.

Background

The Council was established under Senate Bill 08-058 and charged with assessing and formulating a plan in response to the current and future impacts of Alzheimer's disease in Colorado. The Colorado Health Institute (CHI) is the non-profit organization designated as custodian of funds

for the Council, and as such, is authorized to accept monetary and in-kind donation for its support. Prior to expending any funds on Council activities, the CHI is required to certify there is adequate funding available. In September 2010, the Council published a report outlining its findings, which included a recommendation to create a state certification in dementia care for facilities, agencies and individuals licensed and monitored by the Department of Public Health and Environment and the state's health professions' licensing boards. The Council is scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2012.

State Revenue and Expenditures

State revenue will not be impacted by any gifts, grants, or donations received for the Council. The fiscal note assumes these moneys will be held by the CHI for Council activities, and will not be deposited into the Alzheimer's Coordinating Council Cash Fund, which consists only of moneys appropriated to the Council by the General Assembly.

State expenditures could increase for the Departments of Public Health and Environment and Regulatory Agencies if the Council receives sufficient funding and its staff are selected to participate on the committee. The fiscal note assumes that any increase in staff time will be up to 80 hours per staff member that is selected, but will not require a new appropriation.

Departments Contacted

Governor's Office	Health Care Policy & Financing
Human Services	Labor
Public Health and Environment	Public Safety
Regulatory Agencies	