

**STATE
FISCAL IMPACT**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Steadman
 Rep. Ferrandino

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Bill Status: Senate Appropriations
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TITLE: CONCERNING INCREASING THE STATUTORY CAP ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR CORPS GRANT PROGRAM.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2011-2012: None.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill raises the statutory cap on administrative expenses for the School Counselor Corps Grant Program from 2 percent of funds annually appropriated for the program to 3 percent.

State Expenditures

This bill does change state expenditures in the aggregate, but it allows the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) to spend up to an additional \$25,000 of the appropriation for the School Counselor Corps Grant Program for administrative purposes in FY 2011-12.

For FY 2008-09 through FY 2010-11, the General Assembly annually appropriated \$5,000,000 from the State Education Fund and 1.0 FTE for the program. Based on the statutory cap of 2 percent, the CDE has been allowed to spend up to \$100,000 annually to administer the program. The FY 2011-12 Long Bill, as introduced, appropriates \$2,500,000 cash funds from the State Education Fund and 0.8 FTE for the School Counselor Corps Grant Program. Based on the existing statutory cap, the CDE would only be allowed to spend up to \$50,000 in FY 2011-12 to administer the program. Under this bill, the CDE would be allowed to spend \$75,000 on program administration in FY 2011-12 and out years.

Departments Contacted

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