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JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING EXTENDING THE EARLY CHILDHOOD AND SCHOOL READINESS LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION.

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Senator Hudak

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Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 03/05/12 Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note Was Prepared

None.

JBC Staff Concurrence with Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

Concurs

Does Not Concur

Updated Analysis

Amendments/Appropriation Status

As reflected in the Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note, *if the Early Childhood and School Readiness Commission is prioritized by the Legislative Council for FY 2012-13, no appropriation is required.*

Pursuant to Section 2-3-303.3 (1) (b), C.R.S., and S.J.R. 12-016 (Legislative Deadlines for Interim Committee Legislation), this bill must be referred to the Legislative Council as a committee of reference in the second house.

- If no appropriation is added to the bill, it is assumed that Legislative Council will either choose to prioritize it as an interim committee bill for FY 2012-13 or to postpone it indefinitely.
- If an appropriation is added to the bill, it will still be referred to Legislative Council. However, it will not need to compete with other interim committee bills for legislative budget resources, and Legislative Council could pass it out in addition to other, prioritized bills and resolutions.

*The Appropriations Committee may therefore choose whether or not to add an appropriation clause to the bill.* In the event it wishes to do so, staff has prepared amendment **J.002** (attached) to add a provision appropriating \$27,768 General Fund and 0.4 FTE to the Legislative Department for FY 2012-13.

**Bill Sponsor Amendments**

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

**Points to Consider**

1. According to Legislative Council and Legislative Legal Services Staff, if this bill is prioritized by Legislative Council as an interim committee bill for FY 2012-13, it will automatically continue to be prioritized in subsequent years. This bill continues the Early Childhood and School Readiness Legislative Commission through July 1, 2017. The Legislative Council is scheduled to review bills that create interim committees on Wednesday, April 25, 2012.
3. The Joint Budget Committee has introduced a balanced budget package for FY 2012-13 based on the March 2012 Office of State Planning and Budgeting forecast. The budget package appropriates all but approximately \$200,000 of General Fund revenues projected to be available, less a statutorily required four percent General Fund reserve. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$27,768 for FY 2012-13 *if it is not prioritized by Legislative Council*.