

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

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**SHORT TITLE:** STUDENT IMMUNIZATIONS PRIOR TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

<b>Fiscal Impact Summary*</b>	<b>FY 2014-2015</b>	<b>FY 2015-2016</b>
<b>State Revenue</b>		
<b>State Expenditures</b>		Minimal workload increase.
<b>FTE Position Change</b>		
<b>Appropriation Required: None.</b>		

\* This summary shows changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year.

**Summary of Legislation**

Under current law, a student is exempted from receiving required immunizations prior to attending a public school if the student or parent submits a statement of exemption based on religious or personal beliefs. The bill requires the State Board of Health, within the Department of Public Health and Environment (DPHE), to promulgate rules regarding immunization information, including exemption rates, that is available to the public through the DPHE. This information must include evidence-based research, resources, and information from credible scientific and public health organizations, peer-reviewed studies, and an online learning module. The DPHE will also promulgate rules regarding the frequency of submission of exemption forms. Each school in the state will be responsible for making immunization and exemption rates of their student population publicly available upon request. The DPHE, in consultation with other state departments, must establish a joint policy on immunization data collection and information sharing. The bill requires the DPHE to assist school districts in the analysis and interpretation of the immunization data collected.

**State Expenditures**

The bill increases workload in the DPHE by a minimal amount starting in FY 2015-16. The Infant Immunization Program within the DPHE will develop the online education module for personal belief exemption students. The State Board of Health will promulgate guidelines and rules concerning the content of the disclosures, the frequency of disclosures, and exemption forms. The DPHE will also assist school districts with the analysis and interpretation of student immunization data as necessary. This work aligns with current departmental workload and no new appropriations are required.

### **School District Impact**

Beginning in FY 2015-16, school districts in the state will be required to adopt the new immunization standards developed under the bill. School districts will be responsible for educating school health divisions about the immunization requirements and making student immunization data publicly available upon request.

Pursuant to Section 22-32-143, C.R.S., school districts and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) may submit estimates of fiscal impacts within seven days of a bill's introduction. As of the date of this fiscal note, no summaries of fiscal impacts were submitted by districts or BOCES for this bill. If summaries of fiscal impacts are submitted by districts or BOCES in the future, they will be noted in subsequent revisions to the fiscal note and posted at this address: <http://www.colorado.gov/lcs>.

### **Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on May 21, 2014.

### **State and Local Government Contacts**

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