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HOUSE BILL 24-1391

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING EXTENDING THE CONTINUOUS APPROPRIATION**
102 **AUTHORITY FOR THE EDUCATOR LICENSURE CASH FUND.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)

Joint Budget Committee. Under current law, the money in the educator licensure cash fund (cash fund) is continuously appropriated through fiscal year 2023-24. The bill extends the continuous appropriation authority to fiscal year 2029-30. On or before November 1, 2029, the department of education shall report to the education committees of the house of representatives and the senate and the joint

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budget committee concerning the revenue credited to, and expenditures from, the cash fund and shall make a recommendation whether the continuous appropriation authority should be maintained.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-112, **amend**
3 (1)(b) as follows:

4 **22-60.5-112. Fees - fund - report - repeal.**

5 (1) (b) (I) Notwithstanding ~~any provision of~~ subsection (1)(a) of this
6 section to the contrary, for the 2011-12 fiscal year through the ~~2023-24~~
7 ~~fiscal year~~ 2029-30 FISCAL YEAR, the money in the cash fund is
8 continuously appropriated to the department to offset the direct and
9 indirect costs incurred by the state board of education and the department
10 in administering this article 60.5. In each of the fiscal years, the general
11 appropriation bill must, for informational purposes, reflect the estimated
12 amount of expenditures, including any funding for personnel, from the
13 cash fund.

14 (II) ~~Notwithstanding section 24-1-136 (11), during each of the~~
15 ~~regular legislative sessions from 2012 through 2023-24~~ ON OR BEFORE
16 NOVEMBER 1, 2029, the department shall report to the education
17 committees of the house of representatives and the senate, or any
18 successor committees, and the joint budget committee of the general
19 assembly concerning THE REVENUE CREDITED TO, AND expenditures from,
20 the cash fund ~~and the department's progress in meeting the goal of~~
21 ~~reducing to six weeks or less the processing time for issuing or renewing~~
22 ~~an educator license~~ AND SHALL MAKE A RECOMMENDATION WHETHER THE
23 CONTINUOUS APPROPRIATION AUTHORITY SHOULD BE MAINTAINED.

24 (III) ~~For the 2011-12 fiscal year through the 2017-18 fiscal year,~~

1 any persons hired to assist the department in reducing the processing time
2 for issuing or renewing an educator license shall be independent
3 contractors with the department, and the contracts for services shall not
4 extend beyond June 30, 2018.

5 (IV) This subsection (1)(b) is repealed, effective July 1, 2024
6 JULY 1, 2031.

7 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
8 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
9 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
10 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
11 institutions.