NOTE: This bill has been prepared for the signatures of the appropriate legislative officers and the Governor. To determine whether the Governor has signed the bill or taken other action on it, please consult the legislative status sheet, the legislative history, or the Session Laws.

SENATE BILL 15-111

BY SENATOR(S) Lambert, Grantham, Steadman; also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Hamner, Young, Rankin, Fields, Mitsch Bush, Pettersen, Williams.

CONCERNING THE CONTINUOUS APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF MONEYS IN THE EDUCATOR LICENSURE CASH FUND.

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

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

22-60.5-112. Fees - fund - repeal. (1) (b) (I) Notwithstanding any provision of paragraph (a) of this subsection (1) to the contrary, for the 2011-12 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 fiscal years FISCAL YEAR THROUGH THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR, the moneys in the cash fund are continuously appropriated to the department to offset the direct and indirect costs incurred by the state board of education and the department in administering this article. In each of said THE fiscal years, the general appropriations APPROPRIATION bill shall, for informational purposes, reflect the estimated amount of expenditures, including any funding for personnel, from the cash fund.

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

(II) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136(11), C.R.S., during each of the 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015 regular legislative sessions FROM 2012 THROUGH 2018, the department shall report to the education committees of the house of representatives and the senate, or any successor committees, and the joint budget committee of the general assembly concerning expenditures from the cash fund and the department's progress in meeting the goal of reducing to six weeks or less the processing time for issuing or renewing an educator license.

(III) For state fiscal years THE 2011-12 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 FISCAL YEAR THROUGH THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR, any persons hired to assist the department in reducing the processing time for issuing or renewing an educator license shall be independent contractors with the department, and the contracts for services shall not extend beyond June 30, 2015 JUNE 30, 2018.

(IV) This paragraph (b) is repealed, effective July 1, 2015 JULY 1, 2018.

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,

determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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APPROVED_____

John W. Hickenlooper GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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