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Final Fiscal Note

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Bill Topic: CHILDREN'S RESIDENT CAMP RENTAL & VISITING GROUP

Summary of Fiscal Impact:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill would have added children’s resident camp visiting groups and resident camp rental facilities to the existing child care regulatory framework in the Department of Early Childhood. It would have increased state expenditures and revenue on an ongoing basis beginning in FY 2024-25.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2024-25, the bill would have required an appropriation of \$203,570 to the Department of Early Childhood.

Fiscal Note Status: The final fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. This bill was postponed indefinitely by the Senate Education Committee on March 13, 2024; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 24-101

		Budget Year FY 2024-25	Out Year FY 2025-26
Revenue	Cash Funds	\$203,570	\$82,064
	Total Revenue	\$203,570	\$82,064
Expenditures	Cash Funds	\$187,875	\$64,625
	Centrally Appropriated	\$15,695	\$17,439
	Total Expenditures	\$203,570	\$82,064
	Total FTE	0.9 FTE	1.0 FTE
Transfers		-	-
Other Budget Impacts	TABOR Refunds	\$203,570	\$82,064

Summary of Legislation

The bill adds children’s resident camp visiting groups (visiting camp group) and children’s resident camp rental facilities (camp rental facility) to the existing child care regulatory framework in the Department of Early Childhood (CDEC).

The bill specifies the compliance responsibilities of visiting camp groups and camp rental facilities for licensure. A visiting camp group must obtain a license when it leases, rents, or uses a camp rental facility, and the camp rental facility must comply with facility, fire safety, and sanitation rules for the visiting camp group to be approved.

The CDEC may streamline paperwork for visiting camp groups and enter into reciprocity agreements with other states. The bill adds visiting camp groups and facilities to the license application and fee structure, and extends existing fingerprinting exemptions for out-of-state employees of children resident camps or camp rental facilities. It also exempts camp rental facilities from certain drinking water testing requirements.

State Revenue

Beginning in FY 2024-25, the bill will increase revenue by approximately \$203,570 in FY 2024-25 and \$82,064 in subsequent years, to the Child Care Licensing Cash Fund in the CDEC.

Fee impact on visiting camp groups and camp rental facilities. Colorado law requires legislative service agency review of measures which create or increase any fee collected by a state agency. CDEC will be required to charge licensing fees on visiting camp groups and camp rental facilities and/or adjust other child care licensing fees to cover the costs of the bill. At this time, information on the number of visiting camp groups and camp rental facilities is limited and exact fee amounts have not been estimated. Actual fees will be set administratively by CDEC based on cash fund balance, program costs, and the number of licenses subject to the fee.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state expenditures in CDEC by \$204,000 in FY 2024-25 and \$82,000 in FY 2025-26 and ongoing, paid from the Child Care Licensing Cash Fund. Expenditures are shown in Table 2 and detailed below.

**Table 2
Expenditures Under SB 24-101**

	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26
Department of Early Childhood		
Personal Services	\$57,011	\$63,345
Operating Expenses	\$1,152	\$1,280
Capital Outlay Costs	\$6,670	-
System Update	\$123,042	-
Centrally Appropriated Costs ¹	\$15,695	\$17,439
Total Cost	\$203,570	\$82,064
Total FTE	0.9 FTE	1.0 FTE

¹ Centrally appropriated costs are not included in the bill's appropriation.

Staff. Beginning in FY 2024-25, the CDEC requires 1.0 FTE to develop and enforce requirements for camp rental facilities and visiting groups, including reviewing licensing applications from both facilities and groups, developing rules with stakeholders, and continually performing inspections and site visits to ensure rental campsite standards are upheld. Staff costs begin August 1, 2024.

Implementation of new license types. The CDEC will have one-time costs of \$123,042 to revise rules and IT systems to create two new program service types for camp rental facilities and visiting groups. This includes costs to update existing systems to be able to manage applications, fees and payments, citations, and linkage to other systems. The fiscal note assumes the CDEC has rulemaking authority to create two new program types and estimates are based on current costs for the department to add new program types at \$61,521 per program type.

Centrally appropriated costs. Pursuant to a Joint Budget Committee policy, certain costs associated with this bill are addressed through the annual budget process and centrally appropriated in the Long Bill or supplemental appropriations bills, rather than in this bill. These costs, which include employee insurance and supplemental employee retirement payments, are shown in Table 2.

Other Budget Impacts

TABOR refunds. The bill is expected to increase the amount of state revenue required to be refunded to taxpayers by the amounts shown in the State Revenue section above. This estimate assumes the December 2023 LCS revenue forecast. A forecast of state revenue subject to TABOR is not available beyond FY 2025-26. Because TABOR refunds are paid from the General Fund, increased cash fund revenue will reduce the amount of General Fund available to spend or save.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State Appropriations

For FY 2024-25, the bill requires an appropriation of \$203,570 to the Department of Early Childhood from the Child Care Licensing Cash Fund, and 0.9 FTE.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	Early Childhood	Education
Human Services	Judicial	Labor
Public Health and Environment	Public Safety	

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).