



**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

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Sen. Newell**Bill Status:** Signed into Law**Fiscal Analyst:** Josh Abram (303-866-3561)

TITLE: CONCERNING THE ANNUAL DATE FOR ESTABLISHING THE TOTAL PUPIL ENROLLMENT OF EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL.**Summary of Legislation**

To determine pupil enrollment under the School Finance Act of 1994 (SFA), K-12 school districts count their student population on October 1 of each year. This bill modifies this date-specific definition of the count day to provide an alternative day in any year that October 1 falls on a weekend, a major religious holiday, or another day on which schools are not in session. By July 1, 2012, the State Board of Education will define by rule which holidays qualify as major religious holidays. The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect March 22, 2012.

Assessment

This bill simply provides a uniform mechanism for counting students in any calendar year when October 1 falls on a holiday or scheduled day off. It will not impact funding to school districts under the SFA, or change the administration of school funding by the Colorado Department of Education. For these reasons, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Departments Contacted

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