



Fiscal Note
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SB 25-217: REPEAL COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION GRANT PROG

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Fiscal note status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, which was recommended by the Joint Budget Committee as part of the FY 2025-26 Long Bill budget package.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill repeals the Computer Science Education Grants for Teachers Program.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- State Expenditures
- School Districts

Appropriations. No appropriation is required. It is assumed that the required reduction in appropriations is included in the Long Bill for FY 2024-25.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures (State Education Fund)	-\$571,289	-\$571,289
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	-0.5 FTE	-0.5 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill repeals the Computer Science Education Grants for Teachers Program in the Colorado Department of Education.

Background

The General Assembly created the Computer Science Education Grants for Teachers Program in [SB 17-296](#). The program supports teacher professional development, with the goal of training teachers to provide computer science education to K-12 students. The program was originally funded with \$500,000 in cash funds from the State Education Fund and 0.4 FTE. The General Assembly increased funds to \$1.0 million in FY 2019-20, but funding was then reduced to the current level of \$571,289 in FY 2020-21 and has been retained at that level since that time.

State Expenditures

The bill reduces state expenditures in the Department of Education by \$571,289 and 0.5 FTE in FY 2025-26 and future years. This reduction is to expenditures from the State Education Fund.

School Districts

The bill removes the ability for school districts to apply for and receive grants through the grant program, which eliminates a source of funding for eligible teachers to pursue computer-science education and training.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect July 1, 2025.

State Appropriations

For FY 2025-26, the bill reduces required appropriations from the State Education Fund to the Department of Education by \$571,289, and 0.5 FTE. The fiscal note assumes that this reduction will be made in the Long Bill for FY 2025-26, rather than in this bill.

State and Local Government Contacts

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