

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING EXPANDING THE USE OF OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, CREATING THE COLORADO OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES COUNCIL, CREATING A GRANT PROGRAM TO SUPPORT THE CREATION AND USE OF OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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**Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date**

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 03/26/18.

<b>XXX</b>	<b>No Change:</b> Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill*
	<b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	<b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	<b>Non-Concurrence:</b> JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

\*The LCS fiscal note reflects an impact \$6.0 below the current appropriation in the bill, based on slightly different assumptions. Staff has not drafted an amendment to reflect this change.

The House Appropriations Committee Report (03/27/18), adopted by the House on second reading, includes amendments to the bill, however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

**Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee**

<b>Amendment</b>	<b>Description</b>
None.	

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that appropriates \$660,000 General Fund to the Department of Higher Education for FY 2018-19. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.9 FTE.

**Points to Consider**

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*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has proposed a budget package for FY 2018-19 based on the March 2018 Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast. The JBC has included as part of its FY 2018-19 budget package a \$660,000 General Fund appropriation for FY 2018-19 for implementation of this bill.