

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING MEASURES TO REDUCE THE HARM CAUSED BY SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 03/19/20.

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

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment
L.008	Bill Sponsor amendment - changes fiscal impact <i>and</i> appropriation

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.001 Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating a total of \$250,000 General Fund to the Harm Reduction Grant Program Cash Fund FY 2020-21. In addition, the amendment includes a provision appropriating \$250,000 reappropriated funds from the Harm Reduction Grant Program Fund to the Department of Public Health and Environment for the Harm Reduction Grant Program.

L.008 Bill Sponsor amendment **L.008** (attached) strikes the provision in the bill requiring the General Assembly to appropriate, each fiscal year, \$250,000 General Fund above the FY 2019-20 appropriation to the Harm Reduction Grant Program Cash Fund.

If the Committee adopts L.008, it should not adopt J.001. If the Committee does not adopt L.008, it should adopt J.001.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2020-21 based on the following:

- the May 12, 2020, Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast;
- a school finance bill placeholder for a reduction of \$723.8 million General Fund;
- a placeholder for the reduction of \$202.0 million General Fund through one or more non-JBC package bills; and
- an adjusted statutory General Fund reserve percentage of 3.84 percent equal to \$402.0 million.

This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$250,000 for FY 2020-21, thereby decreasing the proposed fiscal year-end General Fund reserve or increasing the proposed placeholder reductions by the same amount.