

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN MEASURES RELATED TO THE REDUCTION OF THE ADULT DENTAL BENEFIT ENACTED IN HOUSE BILL 20-1361, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, No Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

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 04/05/2021.

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
None.	

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides \$5,565,000 total funds to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, including \$335,723 cash funds from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Fee Cash Fund (fees on hospitals), \$1,187,152 cash funds from the Adult Dental Fund (transfers from the Unclaimed Property Trust Fund), and an anticipated \$4,042,125 federal funds. These appropriations are for increased costs associated with removing the \$1,000 cap on the adult dental benefit that is scheduled to take effect when the federal public health emergency expires (assumed to be December 31, 2021).

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JBC Staff Analysis

In addition, the bill transfers \$1,139,402 from the General Fund to repay the Unclaimed Property Trust Fund (UPTF) in FY 2020-21, because expected savings did not occur when the implementation of the \$1,000 cap on the adult dental benefit was delayed due to the extension of the federal public health emergency. Finally, the bill cancels a scheduled transfer of \$2,278,804 from the UPTF to the General Fund in FY 2021-22, since there are no longer any expected savings to the UPTF in FY 2021-22 due to the repeal of the \$1,000 cap on the adult dental benefit.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

None.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has proposed a budget package for FY 2021-22 based on the March 2021 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The JBC has included as part of its budget package the General Fund revenue decreases of \$1,139,402 in FY 2020-21 and \$2,278,804 in FY 2021-22 that would result from the passage of this bill.