

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE COLORADO CAREER ADVISOR TRAINING PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, 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 05/02/22.

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

*The Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note dated 5/2/22 reflects the reengrossed bill and amendments adopted in the House Education Committee.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.003	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides an appropriation of \$1,000,000 General Fund to the Department of Education for FY 2022-23. This provision states that the appropriation is for "use by the office of postsecondary and workforce readiness" but also specifies that this is for the career advisor training program, which makes it unclear whether the intent is to incorporate this funding in an existing line item or to place it in a separate line item.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.003 Staff has prepared amendment **J.003** (attached) that modifies the Education Committee Report to clarify the appropriation clause. As modified, the appropriation clause provides an appropriation of \$1,000,000 General Fund to the Department of Education for FY 2022-23 for the Career Advisor Training Program. With this revised appropriation clause, the appropriation will be provided in a distinct line item for the new Career Advisor Training Program. The amendment does *not* include an assumption that the Department will require additional FTE.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2022-23 based on the March 2022 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package includes two set-asides:

- \$40.0 million General Fund for bills that create ongoing obligations; and
- \$900.0 million General Fund for bills that create one-time obligations in FY 2022-23.

The \$40.0 million *appropriations* set-aside includes an additional \$6.0 million General Fund to provide a 15.0 percent General Fund reserve for those appropriations. The \$900.0 million *obligations* set-aside does not include an additional amount for a General Fund reserve and, assumes, but does not require, that obligations be addressed through statutory transfers rather than appropriations. Therefore *appropriations* from the \$900.0 million set-aside require an additional 15.0 percent to maintain the statutory General Fund reserve.

This bill creates an ongoing obligation and requires a General Fund appropriation of \$1,000,000 for FY 2022-23, reducing the \$40.0 million set aside by the same amount.