

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING SEEKING FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY A COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER, 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

Significant Increase in Third Year

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 03/23/23.

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 Senate Appropriations Committee Report (04/06/23), adopted on second reading in the Senate (04/06/23), added the appropriations clause that is consistent with the impact identified in the Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note.

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 \$251,407 total funds for FY 2023-24, including: (1) for the Department of Public Health and Environment \$169,973 General Fund; and

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(2) for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing \$40,717 General Fund and \$40,717 anticipated federal funds. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department of Public Health Environment will require an additional 2.0 FTE and the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing will require 0.8 FTE.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2023-24 based on the March 2023 Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB) revenue forecast. The budget package includes two set-asides for legislation outside of the package: (1) \$30.0 million General Fund for bills that create ongoing obligations; and (2) \$469.0 million for bills that create one-time obligations for FY 2023-24 (see table below).

General Fund Appropriation Placeholders for Other 2023 Legislation	
Description	FY 2023-24
Legislation with Ongoing Fiscal Impacts	\$30,000,000
Legislation with One-time Fiscal Impacts	
Workforce-related legislation, including free credentials, math scholarships, adult education, and concurrent enrollment	103,000,000
Housing-related legislation, including property tax relief, land use, and public-private partnerships	221,000,000
Legislation related to topics other than workforce and housing, including rural opportunity, line of duty loss, and Proposition 122 implementation	145,000,000
Subtotal	\$469,000,000
TOTAL Placeholders for Other 2023 Legislation	\$499,000,000

The budget package accounts for the 15.0 percent reserve associated with the above placeholders (a total of \$74.9 million).

This bill creates an ongoing obligation and requires a General Fund appropriation of \$210,690 for FY 2023-24, reducing the \$30.0 million set aside by the same amount.

Future Fiscal Impact

Although this bill requires a \$210,690 General Fund appropriation for FY 2023-24, it is projected to require General Fund appropriations of \$3,703,777 in FY 2025-26 and \$4,278,096 in FY 2026-27 when the new benefit is implemented and annual service costs begin.