

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

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

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**Appropriation Items of Note**

**Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet**

**General Fund Impact**

**Significant Cost 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.

<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

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

<b>Amendment</b>	<b>Description</b>
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

**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 providing \$303,575 total funds for FY 2023-24, including: (1) for the Department of Public Health and Environment \$169,973 General Fund; and (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

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**JBC Staff Analysis**

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
<b>TOTAL Placeholders for Other 2023 Legislation</b>	<b>\$499,000,000</b>

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.