

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE USEFUL PUBLIC SERVICE CASH FUND.

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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 02/15/17.

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 neither requires nor contains an appropriation clause for FY 2017-18.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

This bill requires that fee revenue collected from individuals who are ordered to perform useful public service remain in a newly created cash fund to support the administration of useful public service programs. As a result, approximately \$25,000 of unspent fee revenue will no longer revert to the General Fund at the end of the fiscal year, starting in FY 2017-18. This revenue would otherwise be available for other purposes.

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2017-18 based on the March 2017 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package allocates a total of \$12.5 million General Fund for 2017 legislation that is not accounted for in the budget package, including \$11.7 million to be available for appropriations plus \$0.8 million for the associated 6.5 percent statutory reserve. If this amount is not used to fund legislation, it will remain in the General Fund reserve.