



**J.001** Bill Sponsor amendment **J.001** (attached) provides the same appropriations to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing as J.002, but also makes a reduction to appropriations in the Long Bill in the Medical Services Premiums line item. The Medical Services Premiums line item included \$6.4 million total funds for a rate increase for transportation providers and the sponsor amendment reduces the funds available for that rate increase by \$918,913 total funds. The net result of the amendment is a net zero change in General Fund, as summarized in the table below.

Amendment J.001 to HB 18-1321					
	TOTAL FUNDS	GENERAL FUND	HAS FEE	FEDERAL FUNDS	FTE
Personal Services	\$51,376	\$16,833	\$8,855	\$25,688	0.8
Operating Expenses	5,463	1,790	941	2,732	
Medicaid Management Information System	87,000	21,750	0	65,250	
Medical Services Premiums	670,771	318,922	8,530	343,319	
Subtotal	\$814,610	\$359,295	\$18,326	\$436,989	0.8
Transportation Provider Rates	(918,913)	(359,295)	(52,378)	(507,240)	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$104,303)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$34,052)</b>	<b>(\$70,251)</b>	<b>0.8</b>

**Either sponsor amendment J.001 or staff prepared amendment J.002 should be adopted, but not both.**

**Points to Consider**

*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2018-19 based on the March 2018 Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast. The budget package leaves approximately \$40.8 million General Fund unallocated. Thus, the General Assembly could appropriate up to \$38.3 million General Fund to fund 2018 legislation and maintain a 6.5 percent General Fund reserve. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$359,295 for FY 2018-19, reducing the excess General Fund reserve by \$382,649. This is not an issue if sponsor amendment J.001 is adopted.