

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING A STATEWIDE PLAN FOR AWARDING COLLEGE CREDIT FOR WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE.

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**Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date**

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 03/28/19.

	<b>No Change:</b> Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
<b>XXX</b>	<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

The Education Committee Report (04/02/19) includes amendments to the bill. Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the committee amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

However, for FY 2020-21 and subsequent fiscal years, JBC staff anticipates that the 1.0 FTE added pursuant to this bill would become part of the Department of Higher Education's general administrative budget. As a result, this FTE would be included in the Department's indirect cost collection pool, and associated costs would be partially offset by amounts collected from higher education governing boards. Staff currently estimates that beginning in FY 2020-21, approximately 80 percent of this amount would be offset through indirect cost recoveries. Legislative Council Staff concurs with this analysis.

**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 appropriating \$136,754 General Fund to the Department of Higher Education for FY 2019-20. This provision also

states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.8 FTE.

**Points to Consider***General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2019-20 based on the March 2019 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package leaves approximately \$47.9 million General Fund unallocated. Thus, the General Assembly could appropriate up to \$44.7 million General Fund to fund 2019 legislation and maintain a 7.25 percent General Fund reserve. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$136,754 for FY 2019-20, reducing the excess General Fund reserve by \$146,669.