

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING ADDITIONAL PUBLIC WELFARE PROTECTIONS REGARDING THE CONDUCT OF OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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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 03/26/19.

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| XXX | <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**

| Amendment | Description                            |
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| J.002     | Staff-prepared appropriation amendment |

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides a total of \$770,959 cash funds to the Department of Natural Resources for FY 2019-20, including \$678,431 from the Oil and Gas Conservation and Environmental Response Fund (Environmental Response Fund) and \$92,528 from the Wildlife Cash Fund. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 6.0 FTE. Further, the amendment reappropriates \$186,534 of the amount appropriated from the Environmental Response Fund to the Department of Law, for the provision of legal services and states the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department of Law will require an additional 1.0 FTE.

**Description of Amendments in This Packet**

**J.002** Staff has prepared amendment **J.002** (attached) to replace the appropriation clause in the bill with a provision appropriating a total of \$851,010 cash funds to the Department of Natural Resources for FY 2019-20, including \$763,180 from the Oil and Gas Conservation and Environmental Response Fund (Environmental Response Fund) and \$87,830 from the Wildlife Cash Fund. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the

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**Points to Consider**

None.