# JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF WILDFIRE MITIGATION SERVICES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, REGULATING CONTROLLED BURNS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY.

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## **Appropriation Items of Note**

### Appropriation Not Required, Amendment in Packet

### **General Fund Impact**

### 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 05/02/22.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to new information or technical issues
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to amendment adopted after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

The Senate Transportation & Energy Committee Report (05/03/22) includes amendments to the bill, however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the committee amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

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

Amendment	Description
L.011	Bill Sponsor amendment - does not change fiscal impact

### **Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill neither requires nor contains an appropriation clause for FY 2022-23.

### **Description of Amendments in This Packet**

L.011 Bill Sponsor amendment L.011 (attached) adds a definition for a controlled burn. Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the amendment does not change the fiscal impact of

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the bill.

### **Points to Consider**

#### General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2022-23 based on the March 2022 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package includes two set-asides:

- \$40.0 million General Fund for bills that create ongoing obligations; and
- \$900.0 million General Fund for bills that create one-time obligations in FY 2022-23.

The \$40.0 million *appropriations* set-aside includes an additional \$6.0 million General Fund to provide a 15.0 percent General Fund reserve for those appropriations. The \$900.0 million *obligations* set-aside does not include an additional amount for a General Fund reserve and, assumes, but does not require, that obligations be addressed through statutory transfers rather than appropriations. Therefore *appropriations* from the \$900.0 million set-aside require an additional 15.0 percent to maintain the statutory General Fund reserve.

This bill creates a one-time obligation and includes a General Fund transfer of \$100,000 for FY 2022-23, reducing the \$900.0 million set aside by the same amount.