

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING PROVIDING HEALTHY MEALS TO PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.

Prime Sponsors: Sens. Pettersen and Fields	JBC Analyst: Amanda Bickel
Reps. Gonzales-Gutierrez and	Phone: 303-866-4960
Michaelson Jenet	Date Prepared: May 6, 2022

Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

Significant Cost Increase in Third Year

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 04/05/22.

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
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 \$442,473 General Fund to the Department of Education for FY 2022-23. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 2.8 FTE. This amendment also provides an appropriation of \$19,714 reappropriated funds to the Department of Law for FY 2022-23, based on an assumption that the Department will

require an additional 0.1 FTE.

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 an ongoing obligation and requires a General Fund appropriation of \$442,473 for FY 2022-23, reducing the \$40.0 million set aside by the same amount. This bill is also projected to require General Fund appropriations of \$60.0 to \$90.0 million, beginning in FY 2024-25.