

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE "COLORADO VETERANS' SERVICE-TO-CAREER PILOT PROGRAM", AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, CREATING A GRANT PROGRAM THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT TO AID WORK FORCE CENTERS IN SUPPORTING VETERANS AND THEIR SPOUSES SEEKING NEW EMPLOYMENT AND CAREERS.

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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 03/01/16.

	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
XXX	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

The House Business Affairs and Labor Committee Report (03/03/16) 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.

There is a technical issue in the Fiscal Note that states the bill already includes an appropriation. The section that appears to be an appropriation is directing the General Assembly to make an appropriation of \$850,000, but it does not actually make an appropriation.

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 a total of \$850,000 General Fund to the Department of Labor and Employment for FY 2016-17. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department

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will require an additional 0.4 FTE and that the appropriation remains available for expenditure in FY 2017-18.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2016-17 based on the March 2016 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package allocates \$3.0 million General Fund to be available to fund 2016 legislation that is not accounted for in the budget package. If the full \$3.0 million is not used to fund legislation, it will remain in the General Fund reserve.

Technical Issues

Is it necessary to include a statutory provision requiring the General Assembly to make a one-time appropriation of \$850,000 for the program and to require that roll forward spending authority be provided [see page 7, lines 1 through 4 and lines 11 through 14]? If the Committee adopts J.001, this language duplicates the appropriation clause.