

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING MEDICAID BUY-IN FOR PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR CERTAIN MEDICAID WAIVERS, 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 05/03/16.

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| 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 |
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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 \$33,600 cash funds from the Hospital Provider Fee Cash Fund to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for FY 2016-17. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will receive \$183,613 federal funds to implement the act. Of the appropriations to, and federal funds received by, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, \$79,186 is reappropriated to the Governor's Office for the Office of Information Technology.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.002 Staff has prepared amendment **J.002** (attached) to modify the appropriations clause to match the Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note dated 05/03/16. The new appropriations does not include funding for either the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing or the Governor's Office of Information Technology for changes to the Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS), because the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing has indicated that these costs can be absorbed with funding provided in the Long Bill for a small amount of pool hours to make miscellaneous modifications to CBMS. The new appropriations clause provides \$13,803 cash funds from the Hospital Provider Fee Cash

Fund to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for FY 2016-17. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will receive \$124,224 federal funds to implement the act.

Points to Consider*Technical Issues*

The bill references the Supported Living Services waiver, but this waiver is scheduled to be consolidated with the Adult Comprehensive Services waiver in FY 2016-17 pursuant to Section 25.5-6-409.3, C.R.S. Maintaining a separate buy-in program for Supported Living Services may not be consistent or feasible with a consolidated waiver. Alternatively, if the intent is to extend the buy-in program to Adult Comprehensive Services after the consolidation, then it is not clear how the buy-in program could be implemented with the current waiver caps and the resulting wait list for Adult Comprehensive Services. The fiscal impact identified in the Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note dated 05/03/16 is based on the buy-in program applying only to Supported Living Services and the fiscal impact would change if the buy-in program is extended to Adult Comprehensive Services with the consolidation.