

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING A FINANCIAL RELIEF PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS EARNING A HOUSEHOLD INCOME OF NOT MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LINE OF WHICH THEY SPEND MORE THAN FIFTEEN PERCENT ON HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR INDIVIDUAL HEALTH INSURANCE PURCHASED THROUGH THE COLORADO HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE.

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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 04/11/17.

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 clarify that appropriations will be made to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for allocation to Connect for Health Colorado (since Connect for Health Colorado is not a department of the State that can receive a direct appropriation) and to add a provision appropriating a total of \$5.7 million General Fund to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for FY 2017-18 for allocation to Connect for Health Colorado.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2017-18 based on the March 2017 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package allocates \$11.7 million General Fund to be available to fund 2017 legislation that is not accounted for in the budget package. If the full \$11.7 million is not used to fund legislation, it will remain in the General Fund reserve.