

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING INCREASED ENFORCEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO THE LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND FACILITIES, 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 03/08/18.

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

The bill includes amendments adopted in the Senate Appropriations Committee Report (04/24/18), on second reading in the Senate (04/26/18), and in the House Finance Committee Report (04/30/18), however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
None.	

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriations clause that appropriates \$81,841 General Fund to the Department of Labor and Employment for FY 2018-19. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.8 FTE. This provision includes an appropriation of \$12,787 reappropriated funds to the Department of Law from amounts initially appropriated to the Department of Labor and Employment and specifies that this is based on the assumption the Department of Law will require an additional 0.1 FTE.

Points to Consider*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2018-19 based on the March 2018 Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast. The budget package leaves approximately \$40.8 million General Fund unallocated. Thus, the General Assembly could appropriate up to \$38.3 million General Fund to fund 2018 legislation and maintain a 6.5 percent General Fund reserve. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$81,841 for FY 2018-19, reducing the excess General Fund reserve by \$87,161.