

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR AN ANNUAL MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS EXAMINATION PERFORMED BY A QUALIFIED MENTAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, No Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

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 01/27/20.

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 House Health and Insurance Committee Report (01/29/20) adopted on second reading in the House (02/19/20) and the Senate Health and Human Services Committee Report (03/11/20) include 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.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
None.	

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that includes a provision appropriating \$13,347 cash funds from the Division of Insurance Cash Fund to the Department of Regulatory Agencies. This appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.2 FTE.

Points to Consider*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2020-21 based on the following:

- the May 12, 2020, Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast;
- a school finance bill placeholder for a reduction of \$723.8 million General Fund;
- a placeholder for the reduction of \$202.0 million General Fund through one or more non-JBC package bills; and
- an adjusted statutory General Fund reserve percentage of 3.84 percent equal to \$402.0 million.

This bill is anticipated to reduce General Fund revenues by \$13,347, by increasing expenditures from the Division of Insurance Cash Fund. The Division of Insurance Cash Fund uses premium tax revenue to cover Division costs, with any amount not allocated to the Division being transferred to the General Fund. Any increase in expenditures from the Division fo Insurance Cash Fund would result in reducing the excess General Fund reserve or increasing the proposed placeholder reductions by the same amount.