JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING FUNDING TO PROVIDE JUST TRANSITION FOR COAL TRANSITION WORKERS AND COAL TRANSITION COMMUNITIES, 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 Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 05/10/21.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to new information or technical issues
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to amendment adopted after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

The House Appropriations Committee Report (05/14/21), adopted by the House on second reading, 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.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
None.	

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides \$15,000,000 cash funds to the Department of Labor and Employment for FY 2020-21, which may be spent through FY 2022-23. The appropriation includes \$8,000,000 from the Just Transition Cash Fund and \$7,000,000 from the Coal Transition Worker Assistance Program Account of the Just Transition Cash Fund. The appropriation clause also states that the appropriations are based on the assumption that the Department will

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require an additional 2.0 FTE.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has proposed a budget package for FY 2021-22 based on the March 2021 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The JBC has included as part of its FY 2021-22 budget package \$15,000,000 General Fund for implementation of this bill. Specifically, the JBC package includes a place holder of \$800.0 million General Fund for those bills that are part of the "State Stimulus Package", and this bill is part of that package.