

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, INCREASING THE DURATION OF BENEFITS BASED ON MENTAL IMPAIRMENT, REMOVING THE AUTHORITY TO PETITION OVER ARTIFICIAL DEVICES, ALLOWING AN EMPLOYEE TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THE LOSS OF TOTAL TEMPORARY DISABILITY BENEFITS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, UPDATING PROVISIONS RELATED TO INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS, AND INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ATTORNEY FEES THAT ARE PRESUMED UNREASONABLE.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet

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 04/14/23.

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 add a provision appropriating a total of \$731,640 cash funds from the Workers' Compensation Cash Fund to the Department of Labor and Employment for FY 2023-24. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 7.4 FTE.

Points to Consider

None.