

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE 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, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ATTORNEY FEES THAT ARE PRESUMED UNREASONABLE, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, No 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

The reengrossed bill includes amendments that were adopted by the House on second reading (04/18/23), 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 appropriates \$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

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require an additional 7.4 FTE.

Points to Consider

None.