

MEMORANDUM



JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

TO Members of the Joint Budget Committee
FROM Robin J. Smart, JBC Staff (303-866-4955)
DATE February 1, 2022
SUBJECT Concerning state-only funding for American Rescue Plan Act Home- and Community-based Services Spending Plan Programs

During the JBC staff supplemental presentation for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, staff recommended that appropriation of state-only funds related to the implementation of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Home- and Community-based Services (HCBS) Spending Plan be made in LLS 22-0810. The bill draft is specifically related to the ARPA Account in the HAS Fee Fund. Because use of the HCBS Improvement Fund, from which the FY 2021-22 appropriation will be made, is not limited to expenditures for activities that are eligible for the enhanced federal match, the \$13,260,976 cash funds appropriation may be made in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing supplemental bill.

JBC staff recommends appropriation of the funds in the Department's FY 2021-22 supplemental bill as opposed to LLS 22-0810. If the recommendation is approved, LLS 22-0810 will not require an appropriation.