

MEMORANDUM



JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

TO Members of the Joint Budget Committee
 FROM Carolyn Kampman, JBC Staff Director (303-866-4959)
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 SUBJECT Staff Initiated Conference Committee Amendments

The JBC staff recommends that the conference committee on the Long Bill make the changes to appropriations listed in the table below to correct technical errors and be consistent with the Joint Budget Committee's original intent. In net these adjustments increase FY 2023-24 appropriations by \$95,620 total funds, including \$448,108 General Fund

AMENDMENTS TO CORRECT ERRORS							
J#	DEPARTMENT(S)	TOTAL FUNDS	GENERAL FUND	CASH FUNDS	REAPPROPRIATED FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	FTE
062	Early Childhood	\$1,148,357	\$551,480			\$596,877	2.0
166	Early Childhood	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
171	Early Childhood	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
173	Early Childhood	351,733	72,461	0	0	279,272	0.0
190	Early Childhood	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
172	Education	66,600	66,600	0	0	0	0.0
168	Health Care Policy & Financing	(945,662)	0	(945,662)	0	0	0.0
179	Health Care Policy & Financing	0	(2,575)	0	0	2,575	0.0
169	Health Care Policy & Financing	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
170	Health Care Policy & Financing	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
180	Health Care Policy & Financing	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
184	Health Care Policy & Financing	(620,892)	(304,236)	0	0	(316,656)	0.0
185	Health Care Policy & Financing	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
188	Health Care Policy & Financing	135,360	135,360	0	0	0	0.0
189	Health Care Policy & Financing	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
177	Health Care Policy & Financing/ Human Services	(137,788)	(68,894)	0	0	(68,894)	0.0
191	Human Services	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
219	Human Services	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
178	Judicial	0	0	431,663	(431,663)	0	0.0
186	Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
187	Labor	(2,088)	(2,088)	0	0	0	0.0
192	Law	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
181	Local Affairs	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
182	Local Affairs	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
193	Natural Resources	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
183	Public Health	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
176	Public Safety	100,000	0	100,000	0	0	0.0
220	Capital Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TOTAL		\$95,620	\$448,108	(\$413,999)	(\$431,663)	\$493,174	2.0

EARLY CHILDHOOD

J.062: Adds \$1,148,357 total funds, including \$551,480 General Fund, and 2.0 FTE to the Department of Early Childhood for IT Accessibility. The JBC approved funding statewide for this initiative but funding for the Department of Early Childhood was omitted from the introduced bill due to a drafting error.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Early Childhood	\$551,480	\$0	\$0	\$596,877	\$1,148,357	2.0

J.166: Moves \$1,000 federal Child Care Development Funds out of the Local Capacity Building Grants line item in the Department of Early Childhood and puts \$500 in the Early Care and Education Recruitment and Retention Grant and Scholarship Program line item and \$500 in the Child Care Sustainability Grant Program line item.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Early Childhood	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.171: Inserts two footnotes to provide limited flexibility for the Department of **Early Childhood** to spend federal funds in order to increase the likelihood that the Department will be able to obligate all the federal Child Care Development Fund stimulus money by the federal deadline of September 30, 2023. One footnote allows the Department to spend up to 10 percent of the FY 2022-23 appropriation from federal stimulus funds in FY 2023-24. The other footnote allows the Department to transfer FY 2023-24 appropriations of federal stimulus money that the Department will not be able to obligate prior to September 30, 2023, to the Child Care Sustainability Grant Program line item or to the Early Care and Education Recruitment and Retention Grant and Scholarship Program line item.

The JBC previously approved these footnotes in concept, but the amounts by line item and the specific footnote language were not finalized prior to the introduction of the Long Bill.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Early Childhood	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.173: In the Department of Early Childhood: (1) Moves \$229,162 federal Child Care Development Funds from the Operating Expenses line item to a new line item for Information Technology Systems Managed by Other Departments; (2) Increases General Fund and decreases federal funds by \$72,461 for the new line item to reflect the share of costs attributable to programs other than the Colorado Child Care Assistance Program; and (3) Adds \$351,733 federal Child Care Development Funds for the Department's share of costs associated with information technology systems managed by the Department of Human Services, including TRAILS, CBMS, and SNAP to match the reappropriated funds spending authority provided in the Department of Human Services.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Early Childhood	\$72,461	\$0	\$0	\$279,272	\$351,733	0.0

J.190: Corrects a spelling error.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Early Childhood	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

EDUCATION

J.172: Adds shift differential for the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind, correcting a technical error in the request.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Education	\$66,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$66,600	0.0

HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING

J.168: Reduces \$945,662 cash funds from the FY 2022-23 appropriation for the Children's Basic Health Plan Medical and Dental Costs line item in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) to correct a data entry error and match the February 2023 forecast of expenditures.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy & Financing	\$0	(\$945,662)	\$0	\$0	(\$945,662)	0.0

J.179: Makes a net-zero correction in HCPF to reduce the General Fund appropriation associated with the Children and Youth Mental Health Treatment Act by \$2,575 and increase the federal funds by the same amount.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy & Financing	(\$2,575)	\$0	\$0	\$2,575	\$0	0.0

J.169: Makes net \$0 corrections to the fund sources for the Executive Directors' Office in HCPF, including a decrease of \$796 from the Medicaid Nursing Facility Cash Fund, an increase of \$796 from the Nursing Home Penalty Cash Fund, a decrease of \$5,994 transferred from the Colorado Benefits Management System, an increase of \$5,354 transferred from Human Services, a decrease of \$245 transferred from Personnel and Administration, and an increase of \$885 transferred from Higher Education.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy & Financing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.170: Corrects the source of cash funds for the Medicaid Management Information System Maintenance and Projects line item in HCPF to increase the amount identified as coming from the Health Care Policy and Financing Cash Fund by \$247,901 and decrease the amount identified as coming from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Fee Cash Fund by the same amount.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy & Financing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.180: Makes net \$0 corrections to the cash fund sources in HCPF identified for targeted provider rate increases in the Medical Services Premiums line item, reducing the amount from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Fee Cash Fund by \$2,931,191, increasing the amount from the Home- and Community-based Services Improvement Fund by \$2,916,409, and adding an amount from the ARPA Home- and Community-Based Services Account of \$14,782.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy & Financing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.184: Increases the estimated savings in HCPF for nursing home costs as a result of additional housing vouchers in the Department of Local Affairs by \$620,892 total funds, including \$304,236 General Fund, to align with the forecast used for the housing vouchers initiative.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy & Financing	(\$304,236)	\$0	\$0	(\$316,656)	(\$620,892)	0.0

J.185: Corrects a reference in HCPF to a transfer for the Nurse Home Visitor Program from the Department of Human Services to instead say the transfer is from the Department of Early Childhood, since the program was moved from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Early Childhood.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy & Financing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.188: Adds \$135,360 General Fund in HCPF to correctly align the appropriation for the General Professional Services and Special Projects line item with the Committee's decision regarding BA 11 (Behavioral Health Crisis Response System Funding).

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy and Financing	\$135,360	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$135,360	0.0

J.189: Corrects the cash fund splits outlined in the letternote totals for the Office of Community Living's Medicaid Programs in HCPF.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy and Financing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.177: Removes a line item in HCPF that duplicates an existing appropriation within the Department, reducing the total appropriation by \$137,788 total funds, including \$68,894 General Fund. Additionally, updates subdivision numbering in the Department of Human Services Medicaid-funded Programs division within HCPF. Finally, amends a letternote in the Department of Human Services to reference the correct line item from which reappropriated funds are received.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Health Care Policy & Financing	(\$68,894)	\$0	\$0	(\$68,894)	(\$137,788)	0.0
Human Services	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	(\$68,894)	\$0	\$0	(\$68,894)	(\$137,788)	0.0

HUMAN SERVICES

J.191: Adds a footnote to the Behavioral Health Administration in the Department of Human Services specifying the General Assembly's intent that the Behavioral Health Administration continue to contract for services based on the existing regions for services through the 2023-24 state fiscal year.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Human Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.219: Adjusts footnote #54 in the Department of Human Services to specify the General Assembly's intent that funding appropriated to the Behavioral Health Administration for the provision of specific behavioral health services in western Colorado may be allocated to multiple community mental health centers rather than only one community mental health center.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Human Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

JUDICIAL

J.178: Makes technical letternote corrections and budget-neutral cash and reappropriated balancing adjustments related to Correctional Treatment Cash Fund (CTCF) appropriations for the Judicial Department related to the comeback that refinanced General Fund with CTCF.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Judicial	\$0	\$431,663	(\$431,663)	\$0	\$0	0.0

LABOR

J.186: Corrects the cash fund splits outlined in the letternote total for the Executive Director's Office in the Department of Labor and Employment.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Labor and Employment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.187: Removes a duplicate salary adjustment from the Division of Employment and Training that is previously adjusted in the Executive Director's Office in the Department of Labor and Employment.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Labor and Employment	(\$2,088)	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$2,088)	0.0

LAW

J.192: Corrects a technical error in the budget for the Department of **Law** by changing the letternote reference from "c" to "b".

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Law	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

LOCAL AFFAIRS

J.181: Corrects the spelling of two line items in the Department of Local Affairs.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Local Affairs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

J.182: Makes a technical adjustment to the line item name for H.B. 17-1326 Crime Prevention Initiative Grants to specify that the appropriation goes into the Targeted Crime Reduction Grant Program Cash Fund within the Department of Local Affairs.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Local Affairs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

NATURAL RESOURCES

J.193: Corrects a footnote in the Department of **Natural Resources** to continue 3-year spending authority for the Program Costs line item in the Inactive Mines subdivision in the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Natural Resources	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

J.183: Corrects a letternote error in the Department of Public Health and Environment to accurately reflect Medicaid funds reappropriated from the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Public Health and Environment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

PUBLIC SAFETY

J.176: Corrects an error in the annualization of S.B. 22-196 (Health Needs of Persons in Criminal Justice System), which was the omission of \$100,000 cash funds from the Behavioral and Mental Health Cash Fund in the Division of Criminal Justice in the Department of Public Safety.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Public Safety	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	0.0

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION

J.220: Relocates four controlled maintenance projects for the Department of Personnel that were incorrectly placed under the Department of Public Safety subsection in Capital Construction.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	CCF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Capital Construction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0