

JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis
House Appropriations Committee

Concerning measures to protect the safety of individuals who are immigrants in Colorado.

Prime Sponsors:

Representative Velasco; Garcia
(None)

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Fiscal Impacts

Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet

General Fund and TABOR Impact

Fiscal Note Status

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/16/26.

No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill.

Amendments in This Packet

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 amendment **J.001** (attached) appropriates a total of \$107,283 General Fund to the Department of Public Health and Environment for FY 2026-27. The appropriation reflects 1.0 FTE.

Points to Consider

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2026-27 based on the March 2026 Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB) revenue forecast. The forecast does not anticipate a TABOR surplus liability for FY 2025-26, but does anticipate a surplus liability of \$711.1 million for FY 2026-27 to be refunded to

taxpayers out of the General Fund. Legislation that increases non-exempt revenue (such as cash funds) will increase the TABOR refund from the General Fund.

The budget package includes \$57.3 million in set-asides for legislation outside of the package (see table below). The budget package accounts for the 13.0 percent reserve associated with the placeholders.

General Fund Appropriation Placeholders for Other 2026 Legislation

Item	FY 2026-27
SB 26-149 (Pathways for Individuals with Mental Health Disorders)	23,222,868
Competency services	20,000,000
Potential prison capacity supplemental	5,900,000
Applied Behavioral Analysis Licensing	5,000,000
County Administration shared services	3,100,000
Medicaid Working Group	500,000
HB 26-1331 (Modify 2026 Interim Committees)	-396,469
Total - Placeholders for other legislation	\$57,326,399

General Fund Impact

This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$107,283 for FY 2026-27, reducing the \$57.3 million set aside by the same amount.

TABOR/ Excess State Revenues Impact

This bill is estimated to increase cash fund revenues by \$131,643 in FY 2026-27 and by \$72,315 in FY 2027-28, which will reduce the available General Fund in each fiscal year by equal amounts. This bill increases the TABOR refund paid from the General Fund by \$131,643 for FY 2026-27, reducing the \$57.3 million General Fund set aside for FY 2026-27 by the same amount.