

**JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis**  
**Senate Appropriations Committee**

Concerning the use of automated decision-making technology in consequential decisions.

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**Prime Sponsors:**

Senator Rodriguez; Coleman  
 Representative Duran; Bacon

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**Fiscal Impacts**

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Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

**Fiscal Note Status**

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The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 05/04/2026.

**Update:** Fiscal impact has changed due to new information from the Department of Law. This lowers the required appropriation from \$100,403 General Fund and 0.8 FTE to \$46,190 General Fund and 0.4 FTE for FY 2026-27. This change is driven by lower workload estimates from the Department after the fiscal note was published. JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff agree on these updates to the fiscal impact of the bill.

The Business, Labor and Technology Committee Report (5/5/2026) makes technical changes to the bill, as well as clarifying the enforcement date of the bill. JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff agree that these amendments drive no additional change to the fiscal impact of the bill.

**Amendments in This Packet**

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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 \$46,190 General Fund to the Department of Law for FY 2026-27. The appropriation reflects 0.4 FTE.

## Points to Consider

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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 budget package includes \$42.3 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 (\$ in millions)

Item	FY 2026-27
SB 26-149 (Pathways for Individuals with Mental Health Disorders)	\$25.9
Potential prison capacity supplemental	5.9
Applied behavioral analysis licensing	5.0
County Administration shared services	3.1
SB 26-042 (Revenue Classification TABOR)	2.3
Medicaid working group	0.5
HB 26-1331 (Modify 2026 Interim Committees)	-0.4
<b>Total - Placeholders for other legislation</b>	<b>\$42.3</b>

### General Fund Impact

This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$46,190 for FY 2026-27, reducing the \$42.3 million set aside by the same amount.