

JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis
House Appropriations Committee

Concerning natural medicine.

Prime Sponsors:

Representative Caldwell; Feret
Senator Ball

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Fiscal Impacts

Appropriation Required, Amendments in Packet

General Fund Impact

Fiscal Note Status

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/01/26.

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

Amendments in This Packet

- J.001 Staff-prepared appropriation amendment
- L.008 Bill Sponsor amendment - changes fiscal impact.

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 \$132,250 General Fund to the Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) for FY 2026-27. The appropriation reflects 0.8 FTE.

L.008 and J.002

Bill Sponsor amendment **L.008** (attached) makes the bill conditional on receipt of gifts, grants, and donations.

If the Committee adopts **L.008**, it should not adopt J.001.

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 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
Total - Placeholders for other legislation	\$42.3

General Fund Impact

This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$132,250 General Fund for FY 2026-27, reducing the \$42.3 million set aside by the same amount. The General Fund impact is removed if the Committee adopts **L.008**.

Gifts, Grants, and Donations

If the Committee adopts **L.008**, the bill will be dependent on gifts, grants, and donations. For implementation, the bill requires expenditures of \$132,250 in FY 2026-27 and \$154,670 in FY 2027-28. The bill will automatically repeal if the necessary revenue from these sources is not realized. The future use of General Fund, or any other source of state funding, to implement a bill that is exclusively funded by gifts, grants, and donations is prohibited pursuant to Section 24-75-1305, C.R.S.

Is it the General Assembly's intent to fund this program exclusively through gifts, grants, and donations?