

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT REVENUE RELATED TO THE SEVERANCE OF MINERALS IN THE STATE IS USED IN AREAS MOST IMPACTED BY THE SEVERANCE.

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**Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date**

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 03/21/16.

<b>XXX</b>	<b>No Change:</b> Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	<b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	<b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	<b>Non-Concurrence:</b> JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

**Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee**

Amendment	Description
None.	

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill neither requires nor contains an appropriation clause for FY 2016-17.

**Points to Consider**

*Related Budget Information*

The FY 2016-17 Long Bill, as passed out of both the House and Senate, includes \$7.4 million in Local Government Severance Tax and Local Government Mineral Impact funds reappropriated to the Department of Local Affairs for department administration. There is no plain language in statute which authorizes the use of Local Government Severance Tax or Local Government Mineral Impact funds for administration of the Department, although this has been the General Assembly's practice for many years. Would this bill restrict the Governor's ability to request funding for administration of the Department of Local Affairs from Local Government Severance Tax and Local Government Mineral Impact funds in the future?

**SB16-097****JBC Staff Analysis***Technical Issues*

House Bill 16-1229 (Higher Education Financial Obligation Repayment), which has been sent to the Governor, eliminates the Higher Education Federal Mineral Lease Maintenance and Reserve Fund.