

**UPDATED JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING LICENSING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ENTITIES.

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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 04/08/19.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: 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
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment
L.004	Bill Sponsor amendment - does not change 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 has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating a total of \$51,472 General Fund to the Department of Public Health and Environment for FY 2019-20. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.5 FTE to implement the act.

L.004 Bill Sponsor amendment **L.004** (attached) specifies that the Department of Human Services shall continue to fund licensing activities through the end of FY 2023-24, by which time all entities should be licensed by the Department of Public Health and Environment. This amendment eliminates the need for a General Fund appropriation through 2023-24, as the Department of Human Services will use available federal funds.

If L.004 is adopted, J.001 should NOT be adopted.

Points to Consider*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2019-20 based on the March 2019 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package leaves approximately \$65.2 million General Fund unallocated. Thus, the General Assembly could appropriate up to \$60.8 million General Fund to fund 2019 legislation and maintain a 7.25 percent General Fund reserve. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$51,472 for FY 2019-20, reducing the excess General Fund reserve by \$55,204.

As indicated on page four of the Fiscal Note, the General Fund appropriation required for implementation of this bill is projected to increase annually through FY 2022-23, but by FY 2023-24 cash fund revenues should be sufficient to cover expenditures.