

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THE COLORADO COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM CREATE A WORKING GROUP TO DETERMINE THE BEST MANNER IN WHICH TO FACILITATE THE TRANSFER OF EARNED CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM CREDIT TO COLLEGE CREDIT.

Prime Sponsors: Reps. Benavidez and Jaquez Lewis
Senator Story

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Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/10/19.

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.001	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 \$15,000 General Fund to the Department of Higher Education for FY 2019-20 and reappropriating this amount to the community college system.

L.001 Sponsor amendment L.001 includes two technical adjustments to statute to: (1) authorize the Department to enter into a limited purpose fee-for-service contract with the community

college system for this purpose; and (2) specify that this adjustment is not subject to statutory provisions that require General Fund appropriations for financial aid increase at the same rate as funding for the governing boards.

If the Committee wishes to adopt amendment J.001 it should also adopt amendment L.001.

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 \$47.9 million General Fund unallocated. Thus, the General Assembly could appropriate up to \$44.7 million General Fund to fund 2019 legislation and maintain a 7.25 percent General Fund reserve. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$15,000 for FY 2019-20, reducing the excess General Fund reserve by \$16,087.

Technical Issues

1. The bill requires a technical change to allow for a limited purpose fee-for-service contract for the purpose of this act. Amendment L.001 addresses this issue.
2. Section 23-3.3-103, C.R.S., requires that the annual appropriations for student financial assistance increase by at least the same percentage as the aggregate percentage increase of all General Fund appropriations to institutions of higher education. The bill does not include an associated increase for financial aid. Amendment L.001 addresses this issue.