

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS DATA TO FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURES THAT WOULD MOST COST-EFFECTIVELY ALLOW THE STATE TO MEET ITS GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION GOALS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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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 04/27/19.

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.002	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides \$1,680,600 General Fund and 3.8 FTE to the Department of Public Health and Environment for FY 2019-20. The amendment also includes a provision reappropriating \$1,348,880 to the Governor's Office of Information Technology.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.002 Staff has prepared amendment **J.002** (attached) to change the existing clause to appropriate \$265,589 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 3.1 FTE.

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 \$265,589 for FY 2019-20, reducing the excess General Fund reserve by \$284,844.

Related Legislation

House Bill 19-1261 (Climate Action Plan to Reduce Pollution) addresses the topic of greenhouse gas emissions and includes an appropriation of \$281,588 General Fund and 2.0 FTE to the Department of Public Health and Environment for FY 2019-20. The bill sets statewide greenhouse gas pollution reduction goals and requires the Air Quality Control Commission to adopt rules and regulations for statewide greenhouse gas pollution reduction, including the tracking of emissions. There may be overlap in the rule making and stakeholder outreach requirements of these two bills that would result in an over appropriation for those activities.