# JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING MEASURES TO SUPPORT THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR WORKFORCE.

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#### **Appropriation Items of Note**

## Appropriation Required/No Amendment in Packet

#### 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 01/31/20.

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

The Education Committee Report (02/04/20) includes amendments to the bill that change the Early Care and Education Recuritement and Retention Grant and Scholarship Program to only a grant program for eligible entities. Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the committee amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

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

Amendment	Description
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment
L.003	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 has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating:

• \$495,130 General Fund to the Department of Human Services (DHS) for FY 2020-

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- 21, based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 2.3 FTE;
- \$23,823 General Fund to the Department of Education for FY 2020-21, based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.4 FTE;
- \$1,058,006 General Fund to the Department of Labor and Employment, based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 1.2 FTE; and
- \$19,188 reappropriated funds to the Department of Law for legal services provided to the DHS, based on the assumption the Department will require 0.1 FTE.
- L.003 Bill Sponsor amendment L.003 (attached) strikes everything below the enacting clause and directs the Department of Human Services to develop and promulgate rules concerning standards for licensing early care and education programs that facilitate the recruitment and retention of Colorado's early childhood educator workforce. The amendment creates the School-readiness Quality Improvement Program and the Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Program. The amendment codifies activities the Department is already performing and instructs the Department to fully implement the program by July 1, 2022. Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that this amendment eliminates the FY 2020-21 fiscal impact of the bill.

If **L.003** is adopted, then **J.001** should **not** be adopted.

#### **Points to Consider**

### Related Budget Information

The FY 2020-21 Long Bill, as introduced, includes an increase of \$2.7 million federal funds from the Child Care Development Fund and 7.2 FTE to support access to and licensing of child care services. The introduced budget also inculdes \$3.05 million total funds, including \$1.3 million General Fund, and 0.7 FTE for early childhood mental health services.