JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Concerning the continuation of the water and wastewater facility operators certification board, and, in connection therewith, implementing the recommendations contained in the 2019 sunset report by the department of regulatory agencies and making an appropriation.

Prime Sponsors: Reps. Valdez A. and Froelich JBC Analyst: Tom Dermody

Senator Foote Phone: 303-866-4963 Date Prepared: May 27, 2020

Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

New Cash Fund

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 02/11/20.

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 House Appropriations Committee Report (02/21/20), as adopted by the House on 2nd Reading, includes amendments to the bill, however, 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
L.002	Bill Sponsor amendment - does not change fiscal impact

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that appropriates \$24,815 cash funds from the Water and JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis 1

Wastewater Facility Operators Fund to the Department of Public Health and Environment for FY 2020-21.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

L.002 Bill Sponsor amendment **L.002** (attached) strikes the effective date clause and replaces it with an applicability clause and a safety clause.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2020-21 based on the following:

- the May 12, 2020, Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast;
- a school finance bill placeholder for a reduction of \$723.8 million General Fund;
- a placeholder for the reduction of \$202.0 million General Fund through one or more non-JBC package bills; and
- an adjusted statutory General Fund reserve percentage of 3.84 percent equal to \$402.0 million.

This bill is anticipated to reduce General Fund revenues by \$24,815, reducing the excess General Fund reserve or increasing the proposed placeholder reductions by the same amount.

As noted on page 3 of the attached Fiscal Note, the cash fund revenue generated by the diversion will be used to replace federal funds currently expended on the program. Without this diversion, the program would require General Fund.