

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE REMOVAL OF IMPEDIMENTS TO CANNABIS FARMING, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, PERMITTING CONTINGENCY PLANS TO REDUCE CROP LOSS BASED ON ADVERSE WEATHER AND CONVENING A WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE MEASURES TO REDUCE CROSS-POLLINATION.

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**Appropriation Items of Note**

**Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet**

**Marijuana Tax Cash Fund Impact**

**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 05/17/21.

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

The House Agriculture, Livestock, and Water Committee Report (05/20/21) 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**

<b>Amendment</b>	<b>Description</b>
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

**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

## HB21-1301

## JBC Staff Analysis

\$104,780 to the Department of Agriculture for FY 2021-22, including \$52,390 cash funds from Industrial Hemp Registration Program Cash Fund and \$52,390 cash funds from Marijuana Tax Cash Fund, while reappropriating \$21,268 to the Department of Law. The provision also appropriates \$279,194 cash funds from the Marijuana Cash Fund to the Department of Revenue for FY 2021-22, while reappropriating \$31,902 to the Department of Law. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department of Agriculture will require an additional 0.7 FTE, the Department of Revenue will require an additional 1.9 FTE, and the Department of Law will require an additional 0.3 FTE.

### Points to Consider

#### *Marijuana Tax Cash Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2021-22 based on the March 2021 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package leaves approximately \$20.4 million available for appropriation or transfer from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund for FY 2021-22, based on that revenue forecast. This bill requires an appropriation/transfer of \$52,390 from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund for FY 2021-22, reducing the anticipated balance by the same amount.