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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors: Sen. Garcia; Fenberg **Bill Status:** Senate Appropriations
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Bill Topic: **FUNDING HEALTH BENEFITS FOR LEGISLATIVE AIDES**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure (<i>conditional</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill amends Senate Bill 21-196, the legislative appropriations bill, to appropriate additional funding for health, life, dental, and short-term disability benefits for certain legislative aides. It also converts these legislative aide positions to permanent part-time positions. It increases ongoing state expenditures beginning in FY 2021-22.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2021-22, the bill increases appropriations to the Legislative Department by \$617,348.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 21-244

		Budget Year FY 2021-22	Out Year FY 2022-23
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$617,348	\$617,348
	FTE	70.0 FTE	70.0 FTE
Transfers		-	-
TABOR Refund		-	-

Summary of Legislation

The bill amends Senate Bill 21-196, the legislative appropriations bill to provide funding for state health, life, dental, and short-term disability insurance benefits for legislative aides. Specifically, it increases General Fund appropriations by \$617,348 beginning in FY 2021-22, and adds 70.0 FTE to convert one aide per legislative member to permanent part-time positions of 0.7 FTE each. This change makes these legislative aides eligible to enroll in state benefits.

State Expenditures

Conditioned upon the passage of SB21-196, this bill increases General Fund expenditures in the Legislative Department for use by the General Assembly by \$617,348 and 70.0 FTE beginning in FY 2021-22.

Effective Date

If SB21-196 becomes law, this bill takes effect either upon the signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature, or upon the effective date of SB21-196, whichever is later.

State Appropriations

For FY 2021-22, the bill increases the total appropriations to the Legislative Department from \$54,276,399 to \$54,893,747, an increase of \$617,348 General Fund. The increased appropriation is for use by the General Assembly.

State and Local Government Contacts

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