

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR NECESSARY CHILD CARE PROGRAMS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet

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 04/27/22.

	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
XXX	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

The Senate Appropriations Committee Report (04/28/22) 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.

The House Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Committee Report (05/03/22) made a number of changes to the bill, including converting the Family, Friend, and Neighbor Training and Grant Program to a Family, Friend, and Neighbor Training and Support Program. Removing the grant program and redirecting the money to training and support services significantly reduces the administrative staff required for this component of the bill from 8.8 FTE to 2.8 FTE. Legislative Council Staff agrees with this revised fiscal impact.

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 a total of \$99,500,000 to the Department of Early Childhood for FY 2022-23, including \$49,500,000 from the Economic Recovery and Relief Cash Fund and \$50,000,000 federal funds from Child Care Development Funds. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 15.6 FTE. Any unexpended money is further appropriated from the Economic Recovery and Relief Cash Fund through December 30, 2024, and from the Child Care Development Funds through September 30, 2023.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.002 Staff has prepared amendment **J.002** (attached) to reduce the FTE by 6.0 FTE to a total of 9.6 FTE and to modify the appropriation for the family, friend, and neighbor training and grant program to an appropriation for the family, friend, and neighbor training and support program.

Points to Consider

Future Fiscal Impact

Administrative costs will initially be paid from the Economic Recovery and Relief Cash Fund and Child Care Development Funds but after December 30, 2024, costs for reporting and grant monitoring and to support the on-going Family, Friend, and Neighbor Advisory Group will need to be appropriated from the General Fund.