

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, Amendment in Packet

General 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 04/30/22.

	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 appropriation clause in the bill contains technical errors resulting in an appropriation to the Department of Human Services that is higher than necessary. JBC Staff has prepared an amendment to correct the bill's appropriation clause.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.001	Staff prepared technical amendment - changes the fiscal impact

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes a provision appropriating a total of \$80,000 to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for FY 2022-23, including \$48,120 General Fund and \$31,880 cash funds from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Fee Cash Fund. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will receive \$80,000 in federal funds to implement the act.

The bill also includes a provision appropriating a total of \$420,000 to the Department of Human Services for FY 2022-23, including \$180,000 General Fund and \$240,000 reappropriated funds received from the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will receive \$180,000 in federal funds to implement the act. The bill's appropriation to the Department of Human Services exceeds what is required for implementation of the bill.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.001 Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to correct the appropriation clause in the bill. The amendment changes the appropriation to the Department of Human Services to an appropriation totaling \$280,000 for FY 2022-23, including \$120,000 General Fund and \$160,000 reappropriated funds from the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department of Human Services will receive \$120,000 federal funds to implement the act.

Points to Consider*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has proposed a budget package for FY 2022-23 based on the March 2022 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The JBC has included as part of its FY 2022-23 budget package \$168,120 General Fund to be appropriated for implementation of this bill.