JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING THE DELETION OF CHILDREN'S IDENTIFYING INFORMATION FROM CRIMINAL JUSTICE RECORDS RELEASED TO THE PUBLIC.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Required, 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 02/08/23.

	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
XXX	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 Judicial Department updated its fiscal impact to include an additional 14,162 child protection orders that were not included in the original LCS Fiscal Note. The additional cost is identified as \$33,402, including an associated 0.4 FTE, requiring a General Fund appropriation of \$463,162 and an associated 6.6 FTE, rather than \$429,760 and an associated 6.2 FTE.

The Senate Judiciary Committee Report (02/13/23) 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
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment
L.006/J.002	Bill Sponsor amendment - changes fiscal impact and appropriation

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 \$463,162 to the Judicial Department for FY 2023-24. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 6.6 FTE.

L.006 and J.002

Bill Sponsor amendment **L.006** (attached) removes traffic offenses from the purpose of the bill. Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the amendment reduces the cost by \$75,713 and an associated 1.0 FTE, requiring an appropriation of \$387,449 and an associated 5.6 FTE. Amendment **J.002** (attached) appropriates a total of \$387,449 to the Judicial Department for FY 2023-24, based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 5.6 FTE.

If the Committee adopts amendment L.006, it should adopt amendment J.002 and not J.001.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2023-24 based on the March 2023 Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB) revenue forecast. The budget package includes two set-asides for legislation outside of the package: (1) \$30.0 million General Fund for bills that create ongoing obligations; and (2) \$469.0 million for bills that create one-time obligations for FY 2023-24. The budget package accounts for the 15.0 percent reserve associated with the above placeholders (a total of \$74.9 million).

This bill creates an ongoing obligation and requires a General Fund appropriation of \$463,162 for FY 2023-24, reducing the \$30.0 million set aside by the same amount. Additionally, the bill requires General Fund appropriations of \$680,503 in future years.

As amended by **L.006**, the bill creates an ongoing obligation and requires a General Fund appropriation of \$387,449 for FY 2023-24, reducing the \$30.0 million set aside by the same amount. Additionally, the bill requires General Fund appropriations of \$572,241 in future years.