JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING PAYMENTS TO THE STATEWIDE DEATH AND DISABILITY TRUST FUND TO PAY BENEFITS FOR FIRE AND POLICE PENSION ASSOCIATION MEMBERS HIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1997.

Prime Sponsors: Reps. Taggart and Hamrick JBC Analyst: Louellen Lowe

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Not 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 01/10/24.

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

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
L.002	Bill Sponsor amendment - changes fiscal impact but not appropriation

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill neither requires nor contains an appropriation clause for FY 2024-25.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

L.002 Bill Sponsor amendment **L.002** (attached) reduces the required General Fund transfer to the Death and Disability Cash Fund and related warrants for the Fire and Police Pension Association from \$9,130,000 to \$2,050,000 each year beginning in FY 2024-25 through FY 2058-59.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2024-25 based on the March 2024 Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB) revenue forecast. The budget package includes \$63.1 million in set-asides for legislation outside of the package (see table below). The budget package accounts for the 15.0 percent reserve associated with the placeholders (a total of \$9.5 million).

General Fund Appropriation Placeholders for Other 2024 Legislation		
Description	FY 2024-25	
General Legislative Priorities	\$21,739,130	
Legislation for Shared Housing Priorities	12,043,478	
Legislation for Shared Workforce and Education Priorities	16,152,110	
Legislation for Other Shared Priorities	10,519,130	
Legislation for Distributions to Rural Hospitals	2,608,689	
TOTAL Placeholders for Other 2024 Legislation	\$63,062,537	

This bill requires a General Fund transfer of \$9,130,000 to the Death and Disability Payment Cash Fund in FY 2024-25, reducing the \$63.1 million set aside in FY 2024-25 by the same amount. The bill authorizes the State Treasurer to issue warrants from the Death and Disability Payment Cash Fund in the same amount to the Fire and Police Pension Association (FPPA) for deposit into the FPPA's Statewide Death and Disability Trust Fund which does not require an appropriation. The bill requires a transfer of \$9.13 million each year from FY 2024-25 through FY 2026-27, reducing the amount of General Fund available for other purposes each year.

The bill as amended by **L.002** would reduce the required General Fund transfer to the Death and Disability Payment Cash Fund from \$9,130,000 to \$2,050,000 each year and would extend the annual transfer of General Funds to the cash fund through FY 2058-59. This would reduce the amount of General Fund available for other purposes by \$2,050,000 in FY 2024-25 and each subsequent year through FY 2058-59.