

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING MODIFICATIONS TO REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIOR AUTHORIZATION OF BENEFITS UNDER HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, No Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

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 02/27/24.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	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 House adopted an amendment on second reading (03/08/24), however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the amendment does not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
None.	

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that adds a provision appropriating \$36,514 cash funds from the Division of Insurance Cash Fund to the Department of Regulatory Agencies. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.4 FTE.

Points to Consider*General Fund Impact*

Pursuant to Section 10-3-209 (4), C.R.S., taxes on insurance premiums are credited to the Division of Insurance Cash Fund (with a maximum transfer of five percent of premium tax collections) to cover appropriations made by the General Assembly. Any increase in appropriations reduces the amount of tax revenue deposited in the General Fund, thereby reducing the amount of General Fund available for other purposes.

The bill is estimated to require an increased appropriation of \$36,514 cash funds from the Division of Insurance Cash Fund in FY 2024-25, which increases to \$56,083 in FY 2025-26 and ongoing. This will reduce General Fund revenue and the amount of General Fund available for appropriation in each fiscal year by an equal amount.