

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE DISSEMINATION OF PATIENT HEALTH-CARE INFORMATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Required, Amendments 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 02/22/24.

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 Health and Human Services Committee Report (02/27/24) 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.004/J.002	Bill Sponsor amendment - changes fiscal impact <i>and</i> 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

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\$230,739 General Fund to the Behavioral Health Administration in the Department of Human Services for FY 2024-25. Of that amount, \$147,223 is further appropriated to the Department of Law. The provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department of Human Services will require an additional 0.9 FTE and the Department of Law will require an additional 0.6 FTE.

L.004 and J.002

Bill Sponsor amendment **L.004** (attached) removes the section of the bill related to a universal behavioral health consent form, adds specifications to the friends and family input form, removes a provision that knowingly providing false information on the form be punishable by fine, and specifies that the Behavioral Health Administration promulgate rules to behavioral health safety net providers. Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the amendment reduces the appropriation required to \$50,604 General Fund in FY 2024-25.

Staff has prepared amendment **J.002** (attached) to add a provision appropriating \$50,604 General Fund to the Behavioral Health Administration in the Department of Human Services in FY 2024-25 to align with **L.004**. Of that amount, \$32,005 is further appropriated to the Department of Law. The provision also states that the provision is based on the assumption that the Department of Human Services will require an additional 0.2 FTE and the Department of Law will require an additional 0.1 FTE.

If the Committee adopts **L.004**, it **should** adopt **J.002** and **not** **J.001**.

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 \$93.5 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 \$14.0 million).

General Fund Appropriation Placeholders for Other 2024 Legislation	
Description	FY 2024-25
General Legislative Priorities	\$21,739,130
Legislation for Shared Housing Priorities	42,478,261
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

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General Fund Appropriation Placeholders for Other 2024 Legislation	
TOTAL Placeholders for Other 2024 Legislation	\$93,497,320

This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$230,739 for FY 2024-25, or \$50,604 if the Committee adopts **L.004**, reducing the \$93.5 million set aside by the same amount.