

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING MEASURES TO ADVANCE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE BY REDUCING CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF AIR POLLUTION, 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 04/23/24.

XXX	<b>No Change:</b> Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	<b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	<b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	<b>Non-Concurrence:</b> 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
None.	

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that appropriates a total of \$1,829,087 General Fund to the Department of Public Health and Environment for FY 2024-25. Of this amount, \$310,449 is further appropriated to the Department of Law, and \$959,310 is appropriated to the Department of Public Health and Environment through FY 2028-29. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department of Public Health and Environment will require an additional 4.5 FTE and that the Department of Law will require an additional 1.3 FTE.

**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 (OSP) 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
<b>TOTAL Placeholders for Other 2024 Legislation</b>	<b>\$63,062,537</b>

This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$1,829,087 for FY 2024-25, reducing the \$93.5 million set aside by the same amount.

*Related Budget Information*

The bill includes roll-forward spending authority through FY 2028-29 for \$959,310 of the appropriation for the Department of Public Health and Environment to conduct environmental equity and cumulative impact analyses. Costs for this type of contracted work are relatively predictable, so the Committee may consider whether annual appropriation for a portion of these costs is preferable to granting roll-forward authority.