

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING HEALTH-CARE BILLING FOR INDIGENT PATIENTS RECEIVING SERVICES NOT REIMBURSED THROUGH THE COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet

Significant Cost Increase in Second and Third Year, Including General Fund

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 03/28/24.

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

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

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 providing \$309,195 to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for FY 2024-25, including \$154,598 cash funds from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Fee and \$154,597 matching federal Medicaid funds. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 3.4 FTE.

Points to Consider

Future Fiscal Impact

The cost to implement the bill increases from \$376,588 in FY 2024-25 to \$1.6 million in FY 2025-26 and \$9.5 million total funds, including just under \$1.0 million General Fund (including the reserve impact), in FY 2026-27 and thereafter.