JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis

House Appropriations Committee

Concerning the transparency of state agency budgets.

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Fiscal Impacts

Appropriation Not Required, No Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

Significant Appropriation Increase in Third Year

Fiscal Note Status

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 02/25/25.

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

Amendments in This Packet

None.

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill neither requires nor contains an appropriation clause.

Points to Consider

Future Fiscal Impact

Although this bill would not require General Fund appropriations for FY 2025-26 or FY 2026-27, it is projected to require a General Fund appropriation of \$519,940 in FY 2027-28.

Future Budget Processes

The General Assembly may want to change the budget submission and review timelines. The bill will result in significantly more information and spending justification from departments through zero-based budgets. For the General Assembly to use this additional information to make more informed decisions, the legislature will need corresponding additional time to review the materials. The budget submission deadlines are in statute. The General Assembly sets its own timeline for reviewing the budget submissions. An increase in legislative budget review time may result in an increase in per diem payments, depending on the implementation.