JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis Senate Appropriations Committee

Concerning medicaid reimbursement for community health workers, and, in connection therewith, making an appropriation.

Prime Sponsors:

Senator Kirkmeyer; Bridges

Representative Bird; Taggart

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Fiscal Impacts

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, Technical Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

Significant Appropriation Decrease in Second Year

Fiscal Note Status

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 03/31/25.

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

Amendments in This Packet

J.001 Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that decreases funding for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing by \$11,726,508, including \$2,807,023 General Fund, \$685,499 cash funds from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Fee, and \$8,233,986 federal funds.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.001

Staff amendment **J.001** (attached) modifies the title to reflect that the bill is reducing appropriations, rather than making an appropriation.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has proposed a budget package for FY 2025-26 based on the March 2025 Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast. The JBC has included as part of its FY 2025-26 budget package a reduction of \$2,807,023 General Fund appropriations to be included in this bill.