

## JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis

### Senate Appropriations Committee

Concerning the creation of a cash fund within the Colorado healthcare affordability and sustainability enterprise for premiums paid by individuals to buy in to the state medical assistance programs for low-income individuals with disabilities, and, in connection therewith, making and reducing appropriations.

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**Prime Sponsors:**

Senators Amabile; Bridges  
Representatives Bird; Sirota

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### Fiscal Impacts

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Appropriation Already Added to Bill, No Amendment in Packet

General Fund/TABOR Impact

Significant Appropriation/Transfer Increase in Second Year

### Fiscal Note Status

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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

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None.

### Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that changes cash funds appropriations in FY 2025-26 to reduce \$6,660,761 from the Medicaid Buy-in Cash Fund and provide a new appropriation of \$6,660,761 from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Medicaid Buy-in Cash Fund for the same purpose. In addition, the appropriation clause changes cash funds appropriations in FY 2024-25 to reduce \$1,110,126 from the Medicaid Buy-in Cash Fund and provide a new appropriation of \$1,110,126 from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Medicaid Buy-in Cash Fund for the same purpose.

## Points to Consider

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### General Fund/TABOR 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 included as part of its FY 2025-26 budget package decreases in the General Fund obligation for a TABOR refund of \$1,110,126 in FY 2024-25 and \$6,660,761 in FY 2025-26 for implementation of this bill.