JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Already Added to Bill, Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/30/22.

	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
XXX	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to new information or technical issues
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to amendment adopted after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

The Senate Appropriations Committee Report (05/02/22) includes amendments to the bill, adopted on second reading in the Senate, that correct the appropriation to the Department of Human Services so that it aligns with the fiscal note. Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the appropriation to the Department of Human Services in the reengrossed bill accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill. The appropriation to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, however, must be amended in order to identify the General Fund appropriation as subject to the (M) notation as defined in the FY 2022-23 Long Bill.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.002	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment.

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes a provision appropriating a total of \$80,000 to the Department of Health Care

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Policy and Financing for FY 2022-23, including \$48,120 General Fund and \$31,880 cash funds from the Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Fee Cash Fund. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will receive \$80,000 in federal funds to implement the act.

The bill also includes a provision appropriating a total of \$280,000 to the Department of Human Services for FY 2022-23, including \$120,000 General Fund and \$160,000 reappropriated funds received from the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will receive \$120,000 in federal funds to implement the act.

The General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing is not identified in the provision as subject to the (M) notation, and therefore the appropriation clause requires a technical correction.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.002 Staff has prepared amendment **J.002** (attached) to correct the appropriation clause in the bill. The amendment modifies the General Fund appropriation to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing in order to make it subject to the (M) notation as defined in the FY 2022-23 Long Bill. In addition, it removes the language that makes the anticipated federal funds subject to the (I) notation.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has proposed a budget package for FY 2022-23 based on the March 2022 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The JBC has included as part of its FY 2022-23 budget package \$168,120 General Fund to be appropriated for implementation of this bill.