

SB21-148

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT OFFICE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW.

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Appropriation Items of Note

Appropriation Required, 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 03/12/21.

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

The Senate Finance Committee Report (03/22/21) includes amendments to the bill, however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the committee amendments do not change 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 appropriating a total of \$221,090 General Fund in FY 2021-22, comprised of the following:

- \$204,028 General Fund to the Department of Law, which states that the appropriation is

- based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 1.8 FTE.
- \$3,900 reappropriated funds from the Department of Law to the Department of Personnel for vehicle lease costs; and
- \$17,062 General Fund to the Department of Treasury, which states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.4 FTE.

Points to Consider*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2021-22 based on the March 2021 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package includes a set aside of \$50.0 million General Fund for bills that require General Fund appropriations for FY 2021-22. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$221,090 for FY 2021-22, reducing the \$50.0 million set aside by the same amount.