# JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF COLORADO RESIDENTS FROM THE HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH NATURALLY OCCURRING RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS IN BUILDINGS, AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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# 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 02/04/16.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	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 House Health, Insurance, and Environment Committee Report (02/09/16) and the House Appropriations Committee Report (03/04/16) included 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
None.	

#### **Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that appropriates a total of \$199,456 cash funds from the Hazardous Substance Response Fund to the Department of Public Health and Environment for FY 2016-17. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 0.8 FTE to implement the act.

#### **Points to Consider**

## Future Fiscal Impact

1. House Bill 16-1141 increases expenditures from the Hazardous Substance Response Fund but does not increase revenue generated by the solid waste user fee that is credited to the

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Hazardous Substance Response Fund. There is currently a projected fund balance of \$14,119,085 to start FY 2016-17. The fund balance is large by design, because one of the purposes of the Hazardous Substance Response Fund is provide the state match for Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) costs. If a new CERCLA site is added in Colorado, the expenditures from the Fund would increase. This bill would reduce the amount available in the Hazardous Substance Response Fund for potential future CERCLA response expenses.