

JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis

Senate Appropriations Committee

Concerning transit reform, and, in connection therewith, creating study, planning, and reporting requirements; increasing coordination among transit agencies, government, and planning organizations; authorizing the regional transportation district to enter into service partnership agreements; creating a regional transportation district accountability committee; adding nonvoting members to the regional transportation district board of directors; and requiring the regional transportation district to emphasize ridership growth, worker retention, safety, and statewide climate goals.

Prime Sponsors:

Senators Winter F.; Jodeh
Representatives Lindstedt; Froelich

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Fiscal Impacts

Appropriation Required, Amendment in Packet

General Fund Impact

Fiscal Note Status

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 02/28/2025.

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

The Transportation and Energy Committee Report (03/05/2025) amended the bill by making adjustments to the RTD board and meeting requirements. Legislative Council Staff and Joint Budget Committee Staff agree that these amendments will not change the fiscal impact of the bill because these changes can be absorbed by the Department of Transportation.

Amendments in This Packet

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 amendment **J.001** (attached) appropriates a total of \$146,720 General Fund to the Office of the Governor in FY 2025-26. The appropriation reflects 0.1 FTE.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2025-26 based on the March 2025 Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB) revenue forecast. The budget package includes \$18.2 million in set-asides for legislation outside of the package (see table below). The budget package accounts for the 15.0 percent reserve associated with the placeholders.

General Fund Appropriation Placeholders for Other 2025 Legislation	
Description	FY 2025-26 Appropriation
Juvenile diversion, deflection, or detention	\$10,000,000
General Assembly legislative priorities	6,521,739
Voter approved initiatives	1,700,000
Total	\$18,221,739

This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$146,720 for FY 2025-26, reducing the \$18.2 million