# JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CONCERNING THE ALLOCATION OF STATE MONEY FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES TO INCREASE THE SKILLS OF COLORADO WORKERS, 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 04/16/21.

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 Business Affairs and Labor Committee Report (04/21/21) 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
L.003	Bill Sponsor amendment - changes details of fiscal impact.

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

The bill includes an appropriation clause that appropriates \$25.0 million General Fund to the Department of Labor and Employment for FY 2020-21. Section 3 of the bill includes a provision stating that money remaining at the close of FY 2020-21 remains available through FY 2022-23.

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# **Description of Amendments in This Packet**

**L.003** Bill Sponsor amendment **L.003** (attached) specifies that the Colorado Workforce Development Council will allocate the \$25,000,000 General Fund appropriated in this bill as follows:

- \$20,750,000 to workforce development areas for programs for reskilling, upskilling, and next-skilling workers;
- \$3,000,000 for a grant program to award funding to other partners, including local governments, institutions of higher education, and community-based nonprofit organizations; and
- \$1,250,000 for the department for outreach and recruitment, providing access to digital platforms for career navigation, issuing licenses for virtual training courses, and implementing, administering, and reporting on the program. If any of this amount is unexpended or unencumbered by June 30, 2022, it is to be reallocated for the reskilling, upskilling, and next-skilling programs administered by workforce development areas and other program partners.

The amendment provides additional statutory detail on how the appropriation may be spent, but **no** change to the appropriation clause in the bill is required if this amendment is adopted.

### **Points to Consider**

### General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has proposed a budget package for FY 2021-22 based on the March 2021 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The JBC has included as part of its FY 2021-22 budget package \$25,000,000 General Fund to be appropriated for implementation of this bill. Specifically, the JBC package includes a place holder of \$800.0 million General Fund for those bills that are part of the "State Stimulus Package", and this bill is part of that package.