

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE LOW-INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION THEREFOR.

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Senator Hernandez

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Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 1/10/01 Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note was Prepared

The bill has not been amended since its introduction.

JBC Staff Concurrence with Legislative Council Fiscal Note

Concurs **Does Not Concur** **Updated**

Amendments/Appropriation Status

The bill includes an appropriation clause that, for *FY 2000-01*, appropriates \$10,000,000 cash funds from the Operational Account of the Severance Tax Fund to the Department of Human Services, Self-Sufficiency, Special Purpose Welfare Programs for the purpose of increasing available funds under the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP).

Sponsor Amendments

Staff is not aware of any sponsor amendments to be offered.

Questions and Concerns

The Department has indicated that an *additional* \$19,757,979 will be available for the LIEAP program in FY 2000-01, including \$18,882,979 federal funds and \$875,000 in donations from the Colorado Energy Assistance Foundation. Thus, a total of \$39,252,633 is projected to be available for the LIEAP program in the current year. If this bill is adopted, a total of \$49,252,633 would be available for the LIEAP program in the current year.