

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING CREATING A LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO STUDY POVERTY ISSUES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ESTABLISHING THE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY POVERTY REDUCTION TASK FORCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVANCING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY WHILE REDUCING CHILD AND FAMILY POVERTY.

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Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 01/15/09 Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note Was Prepared (Amended by the State, Veterans, and Military Affairs Committee 01/27/09)

The Senate, Veterans, and Military Affairs Committee Report made four changes to the bill:

1. The four required meetings per year are now to be held during the interim;
2. Public and private moneys donated or awarded are continuously appropriated;
3. The State Demographer is no longer required to provide data to this committee; and
4. The statute is repealed after five years rather than after ten years.

Eliminating the requirements on the State Demographer is the only one of these changes that affects the fiscal note. A Legislative Council Staff memorandum dated January 23, 2009, reflects the effect of this change on state expenditures. Expenses that would have been incurred by the Department of Local Affairs are eliminated. The memo also corrects a technical error in the original fiscal note, increasing the necessary appropriation to the Legislative Department by \$1,691 to a total of \$25,568.

JBC Staff Concurrence with Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

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Amendments/Appropriation Status

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause. Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating \$25,568 General Fund and 0.4 FTE to the Legislative Department for FY 2009-10.

Bill Sponsor Amendments

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

Points to Consider

The bill creates a multi-year interim committee. The Legislative Branch is budgeted each year with resources to support a limited number of interim committees of the General Assembly (6 to 8) as provided for by joint resolution of the Legislative Council, or by resolution of the Executive Committee of the Legislative Council as established by Section 2-3-303.3, C.R.S. If this interim committee is not designated by the Executive Committee to be one of the prioritized committees, or if the costs of this interim committee are not included in the budgeted amount, the Legislative Branch will incur additional General Fund costs of \$25,568 and 0.4 FTE annually to support the interim committee.