

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE REORGANIZATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S ENERGY OFFICE.

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Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 05/02/11 Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note Was Prepared (Amended by the Agriculture, Livestock, and Natural Resources Committee 05/02/11)

The Agriculture, Livestock, and Natural Resources Committee Report requires the director of the proposed Colorado Energy Office (CEO) to reduce the number of full-time equivalent employees of the Office by 15 percent by FY 2012-13 in addition to the 25 percent required by the bill by FY 2011-12. Legislative Council and Joint Budget Committee staff concur that the provision will not impact the FY 2011-12 appropriation status of the bill.

JBC Staff Concurrence with Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

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

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 \$237,164 General Fund and 3.0 FTE to the Office of Economic Development and International Trade. The 3.0 FTE transferred from CEO (and the 1.0 FTE eliminated from CEO) does not require an appropriation adjustment to the CEO budget because moneys and FTE authority for these positions are not appropriated in the FY 2011-12 Long Bill.

Bill Sponsor Amendments

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

Points to Consider

The Joint Budget Committee has introduced a balanced budget package for FY 2011-12 based on the March 2011 Office of State Planning and Budgeting forecast. The budget package appropriates all General Fund revenues projected to be available, less a statutorily required four percent General Fund reserve. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$237,164 for FY 2011-12. If this bill is enacted, other General Fund appropriations for existing programs will need to be reduced by \$237,164 in order to maintain the statutorily required General Fund reserve.