

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS IN COLORADO, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, EXPANDING THE CAPACITY AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF THE PROGRAMS THROUGH THE CREATION OF THE COLORADO INFANT AND TODDLER QUALITY AND AVAILABILITY GRANT PROGRAM AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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**Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date**

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/25/13.

<b>XXX</b>	<b>No Change:</b> Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	<b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	<b>Update:</b> Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	<b>Non-Concurrence:</b> JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

The Senate Health and Human Services Committee Report (05/01/13) 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**

<b>Amendment</b>	<b>Description</b>
J.003	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that appropriates \$3.0 million General Fund and 0.8 FTE to the Department of Human Services for the Colorado Infant and Toddler Quality and Availability Grant Program in FY 2013-14. Section 3 appropriates these moneys to the Office of Early Childhood and is contingent upon the passage of H.B. 13-1117, which creates the Office in CDHS and transfers the programs currently found within the existing Division of Child Care. Section 4 appropriates these moneys to the Division of Child Care should H.B. 13-1117 not be enacted.

**Description of Amendments in This Packet**

**J.003** Staff has prepared amendment **J.003** (attached) to change the existing clause to appropriate 1.0 FTE to the Department of Human Services for FY 2013-14.

**Points to Consider***General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2013-14 based on the March 2013 Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast. The budget package allocates all but approximately \$9.0 million of General Fund revenues projected to be available. Pursuant to S.B. 13-236, this \$9.0 million General Fund will be transferred to the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) Construction Fund. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$3.0 million for FY 2013-14 and thus will reduce the transfer to the CWCB Construction Fund by that amount.

*Technical Issues*

The bill creates the new Colorado Infant and Toddler Quality and Availability Grant Program Fund, which would consist of General Fund appropriated by the General Assembly for the Colorado Infant and Toddler Quality and Availability Grant Program. Is it necessary to appropriate General Fund into a new cash fund, rather than appropriating General Fund directly to the Department for the new grant program?