

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF STANDARDIZED RULES FOR USE IN PROCESSING MEDICAL CLAIMS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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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 03/26/14.

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

The Senate Health and Human Services committee report (04/17/14) requires periodic updating of the payment rules and claim edits and removes the December 31, 2016 repeal. Both Legislative Council Staff and the JBC Staff agree that the committee amendments do not change the fiscal impact for FY 2014-15 and FY 2015-16, but will create an ongoing obligation beyond FY 2015-16.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides \$128,188 General Fund to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for FY 2014-15.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.001 Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to change the existing clause to increase the appropriation to \$128,688 to match the impact identified in the Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note dated March 26, 2014. Pursuant to direction from the Chairmen of the Appropriations Committees, this amendment includes a provision to access the \$20.0 million General Fund that has been set aside in the Joint Budget Committee’s FY 2014-15 budget package to fund 2014 legislation.

Points to Consider

General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2014-15 based on the March 2014 Office of State Planning and Budgeting revenue forecast. The budget package allocates \$20.0 million General Fund to be available to fund 2014 legislation; if the full \$20.0 million is not used to fund legislation, it will be credited to the Controlled Maintenance Trust Fund.