

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS REGARDING PERSONS RECEIVING PUBLIC HEALTH CARE BENEFITS, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION THEREFOR.

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Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 03/17/05 Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note was Prepared (Amended by the House Appropriation Committee 04/01/05 and amended by the Senate Health and Human Services Committee 04/21/05)

1. The House Appropriation Committee added the necessary appropriation clause to implement the bill.
2. The Senate Health and Human Services Committee changed the report date from February 1 each year to October 1 each year.

The Senate Health and Human Services Committee amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

JBC Staff Concurrence with Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

Concurs Does Not Concur Updated Analysis

Reason for the Non-Concurrence / Update

Staff concurs with the Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note dated 03/17/05 in regards to the costs associated with the system changes to the Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS). However, staff does not concur that an appropriation of \$149 is needed for printing and mailing costs for the required reports. The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing has sufficient funding within their base operating expenses to pay for this cost and no additional appropriation is required for this expense.

In addition, the Department of Human Services (DHS) will require a cash fund exempt appropriation to reflect the amount of the CBMS costs transferred from the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing to DHS. This amount is not reflected in the Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note date 03/17/05.

Amendments/Appropriation Status

House Bill 05-1245 currently contains the necessary appropriation clause to implement the bill. However, staff has drafted amendment **J.003** to conform the appropriation clause to standard language used in all bills that tie appropriations to another bill.

Sponsor Amendments

Staff is not aware of any sponsor amendments.

Points to Consider

The General Assembly may pass more than one bill that is contingent on H.B. 05-1243 becoming law and containing a net reduction in General Fund expenditures that exceeds the General Fund appropriation contained in the bill. If this occurs, it is possible that the General Fund savings in H.B. 05-1243 may be less than the sum of all the General Fund appropriations in bills tied to H.B. 05-1243.

