

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF AN ALTERNATIVE BASE PERIOD FOR THE PURPOSE OF QUALIFYING WORKERS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 04/11/05 Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note was Prepared

None.

JBC Staff Concurrence with Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

Concurs

Does Not Concur

Updated Analysis

Amendments/Appropriation Status

The reengrossed bill contains the proper appropriation clause added by the House Appropriations Committee, appropriating \$250,000 cash funds from the Employment Support Fund and \$83,752 federal funds and 2.0 FTE to the Division of Employment and Training for FY 2005-06.

Sponsor Amendments

Staff is not aware of any sponsor amendment(s) to be offered.

Points to Consider

The March 2005 Legislative Council Staff (LCS) revenue forecast projects a TABOR surplus liability of \$393.8 million in FY 2005-06 and \$579.7 million in FY 2006-07. These sums must be refunded to taxpayers out of the General Fund. Legislation that decreases non-exempt revenue (such as the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund) to the State will reduce the amount of the TABOR refund made out of the General Fund. Correspondingly, this will increase the amount of General Fund available for state operating expenditures. Legislation that increases non-exempt revenue to the State will increase the amount of the TABOR refund made out of the General Fund. Correspondingly, this

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It is estimated that this bill would reduce non-exempt revenue (received into the Unemployment Insurance (UI) Trust Fund) by \$77,124 cash funds in FY 2005-06, which in turn will increase the available General Fund by an equal amount for FY 2005-06. Alternatively, it is estimated this bill would increase non-exempt revenue received in the UI Trust Fund for FY 2006-07 through FY 2009-10. For FY 2006-07, the increase into the UI Trust Fund is estimated to be \$655,618, which in turn will reduce the available General Fund by an equal amount for FY 2006-07.