

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING CHANGING THE WILDFIRE MITIGATION INCOME TAX DEDUCTION TO THE WILDFIRE MITIGATION INCOME TAX CREDIT.

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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 03/27/14.

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

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.001 Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating \$18,540 General Fund to the Department of Revenue in FY 2014-15 to implement a wildfire mitigation state income tax credit. 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

1. 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

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\$20.0 million is not used to fund legislation, it will be credited to the Controlled Maintenance Trust Fund.

2. This bill is expected to reduce General Fund revenues by at least \$321,839 in FY 2015-16, and at least \$648,828 in FY 2016-17 and future years.