

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS AGAINST DESIGNER DRUGS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

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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 03/25/14.

<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 House Appropriations Committee Report (04/11/14), adopted by the House on Second Reading, added an appropriations clause to the bill and does not change the fiscal impact. In addition, the House on Second Reading (04/14/14), includes amendments to the bill, however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the floor amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

**Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee**

Amendment	Description
None.	

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides \$339,602 General Fund and 0.6 FTE for FY 2014-15 to the Department of Public Safety for the purchase and maintenance of materials and equipment for the identification of synthetic cannabinoids and other designer drugs. The provision also makes statutory appropriations to the Department of Corrections for FY 2015-16 through FY 2018-19 totaling \$85,936 General Fund. In addition, the provision accesses \$339,602 General Fund for FY 2014-15 of set-aside moneys to fund 2014 legislation.

**Points to Consider**

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*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.