

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A TRIBUTARY GROUNDWATER MONITORING NETWORK IN THE SOUTH PLATTE RIVER ALLUVIAL AQUIFER, 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 Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 02/13/15.

<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 (02/20/15), adopted by the House on second reading, added the appropriations clause described below and does not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

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

<b>Amendment</b>	<b>Description</b>
None.	

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides \$60,000 cash funds to the Water Resources Division in the Department of Natural Resources from the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) Construction Fund for FY 2015-16.

**Points to Consider**

*Future Fiscal Impact*

The bill includes a provision authorizing the use of General Fund in the event that CWCB Construction Fund revenues are insufficient to support the cost of implementing a tributary groundwater monitoring network. However, it is unlikely that General Fund will be required at any point for this bill. The CWCB Construction Fund is a large cash fund with substantial annual revenues and cash flow, averaging \$64.5 million in annual revenue over the past three years. This should be more than adequate to support the required appropriation in FY 2015-16 and future years.