



Department of Health
 2021-23 First Supplemental Budget Session
 Maintenance Level - TC - Correct Technical Issues

Agency Recommendation Summary

The Department of Health (DOH) requests corrections on several expenditure authority issues. These corrections range from fixing negative spending authority to aligning appropriations with published fiscal notes for bills passed in recent legislative sessions.

Fiscal Summary

Fiscal Summary <i>Dollars in Thousands</i>	Fiscal Years		Biennial	Fiscal Years		Biennial
	2022	2023	2021-23	2024	2025	2023-25
Staffing						
FTEs	5.8	14.9	10.35	6.5	6.9	6.7
Operating Expenditures						
Fund 001 - 1	(\$964)	\$3,364	\$2,400	\$731	\$767	\$1,498
Fund 001 - 2	(\$40)	(\$40)	(\$80)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund 001 - C	(\$41)	(\$168)	(\$209)	(\$168)	(\$168)	(\$336)
Fund 001 - 7	\$41	\$168	\$209	\$168	\$168	\$336
Fund 02G - 1	\$347	\$392	\$739	\$284	\$294	\$578
Fund 22U - 1	\$567	\$567	\$1,134	\$566	\$566	\$1,132
Fund 25N - 1	\$40	\$40	\$80	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Expenditures	(\$50)	\$4,323	\$4,273	\$1,581	\$1,627	\$3,208
Revenue						
001 - 0399	(\$81)	(\$208)	(\$289)	(\$168)	(\$168)	(\$336)
001 - 0597	\$41	\$168	\$209	\$168	\$168	\$336
02G - 0299	\$279	\$273	\$552	\$284	\$294	\$578
22U - 0299	\$567	\$567	\$1,134	\$566	\$566	\$1,132
Total Revenue	\$806	\$800	\$1,606	\$850	\$860	\$1,710

Decision Package Description

The Department of Health requests the following technical corrections to the 2021-23 appropriations.

1. Secure Drug Take-Back Program:

Appropriation is necessary to administer the Safe Medication Return/Secure Drug Take-Back Program. In 2018, the legislature passed Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1047, Unwanted Medication Disposal, Chapter 196, Laws of 2018, which established the secure drug take-back program; however, this bill was not funded. In the 2020 supplemental budget, the department received authority to administer the program but did not receive ongoing authority in the carry forward budget; this request is for the ongoing authority. If these funds are not provided, the department will be forced to implement programmatic reductions.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$566 (22U-1)	\$0	\$566 (22U-1)
2023	\$566 (22U-1)	\$0	\$566 (22U-1)

2. Midwifery Licensure and Regulatory Program:

Chapter 334, Laws of 2021 Section 222(7) provides that \$150,000 General Fund-State for fiscal year 2022 and \$150,000 General Fund-State for fiscal year 2023 are appropriated solely for the department to supplement revenue from fees. However, an additional \$150,000 General Fund-State for fiscal year 2022 and \$150,000 General Fund-State for fiscal year 2023 were not provided in the 2021-23 enacted budget. If these funds are not provided in the 2022 supplemental budget, the department will be forced to implement programmatic reductions from its base activities.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$150 (001-1)	\$0	\$150 (001-1)
2023	\$150 (001-1)	\$0	\$150 (001-1)

3. Washington Poison Center:

Chapter 334, Laws of 2021 Section 222(45) provides that \$500,000 General Fund-State for fiscal year 2022 and \$500,000 General Fund-State for fiscal year 2023 are appropriated solely for the for the Washington Poison Center. However, an additional \$500,000 General Fund-State for fiscal year 2022 and \$500,000 General Fund-State for fiscal year 2023 were not provided in the 2021-23 enacted budget. If these funds are not provided in the 2022 supplemental budget, the department will be forced to implement programmatic reductions from its base activities.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$500 (001-1)	\$0	\$500 (001-1)
2023	\$500 (001-1)	\$0	\$500 (001-1)

4. HSTR Health System Transparency (Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1272 – Health Systems Transparency):

Appropriation is necessary to meet the legislative intent and to complete the work in Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1272 section (6) (c). Subject to funding appropriated specifically for this purpose, the department must establish a grant program to

support upgrades to electronic health records systems to comply with demographic data reporting requirements for critical access hospitals, sole community hospitals, and Medicare-dependent hospitals. If these funds are not provided in the 2022 supplemental budget, the department will not have funding to administer the grant program to critical access hospital and meet the legislative intent.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$0	\$1,000 (001-1)	-\$1,000 (001-1)
2023	\$1,000 (001-1)	\$0	\$1,000 (001-1)

Chapter 334, Laws of 2021 Section 222 (32) this funding is necessary for the department to contract with the University of Washington School of Nursing to lead an interdisciplinary study to determine the impact of hospital staffing personnel on patient mortality and patient outcomes. This funding will also be used to create grant programs for hospitals to update their electronic health records systems to comply with requirements of this bill.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$1,188 (001-1)	\$596 (001-1)	\$592 (001-1)
	\$32 (002-1)	\$32 (002-1)	\$0 (002-1)
2023	\$448 (001-1)	\$58 (001-1)	\$390 (001-1)
	\$32 (002-1)	\$32 (002-1)	\$0 (002-1)

5. MIH1 – Maternal/Infant Health:

Funding was provided in the 2021 legislative session to support strategies identified in the state opioid response plan that address the needs of pregnant and parenting women with opioid use disorder and for the treatment of infants born with neonatal abstinence syndrome. The department requests an adjustment to the appropriation received to effectively implement the plan.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$1,675 (001-1)	\$2,866 (001-1)	\$1,191 (001-1)
2023	\$1,191 (001-1)	\$0	-\$1,191 (001-1)

6. Senate Bill 5332 (2019) – Concerning Vital Statistics

Funding was provided in the 2019 legislative session but ongoing funding in carry-forward level step was adjusted in the incorrect fund. Private-Local funding ongoing is necessary to provide approximately 590,000 birth and death certificates a year statewide, prevent backlog, and meet customer service requests for certificates.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$0 (001-C)	\$41 (001-C)	-\$41 (001-C)
	\$41 (001-7)	\$0 (001-7)	\$41 (001-7)
2023	\$0 (001-C)	-\$168 (001-C)	\$168 (001-C)
	-\$168 (001-7)	\$0 (001-7)	-\$168 (001-7)

Un/Under Funded Bill(s) from the 2021 Session**7. Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1120 – Long-term Services & Supports – State of Emergency:**

This funding is necessary to develop and administer rules adopted during a declared state of emergency retroactive to February 29, 2020. This bill gives the department the authority to define certification deadlines for long-term care workers; determine under what circumstances workers may have more than one hire date; and adopt rules allowing workers more time to complete certification requirements. This work includes rulemaking, background checks, credentialing, and program administration.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$279 (02G-1)	\$0	\$279 (02G-1)
2023	\$273 (02G-1)	\$0	\$273 (02G-1)

8. Second Substitute House Bill 1161 – Drug Take-Back Programs

Chapter 334, Laws of 2021 Section 222 (38) this funding is necessary to meet the requirements of the bill to allow for operation of multiple drug

take-back programs and collect a nonrefundable fee for review and approval of each new program operator proposal. This funding request is being made to reflect the enacted budget bill proviso language.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$157 (22U-1)	\$156 (22U-1)	\$1 (22U-1)
2023	\$144 (22U-1)	\$143 (22U-1)	\$1 (22U-1)

9. Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5126 - Climate Commitment Act

Funding is necessary for the department to jointly plan with the Department of Ecology (ECY) an approach and methods to be used in reviewing air pollution exposure and health impact to over-burdened communities; carry out tribal consultation when needed; vet the approach with Environmental Justice (EJ) Council members; gather, clean, and analyze data and write the report; vet the draft report with the EJ Council, tribes, and other parties; and finalize report.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$1 (001-1)	\$0	\$1 (001-1)
2023	\$117 (001-1)	\$0	\$117 (001-1)

10. Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5229 - Health Equity Continuing Education

Chapter 334, Laws of 2021 Section 222 (16) provided the department the authority that was request by the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) (74,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2022 and \$74,000 of the general fund—federal appropriation) instead of the authority in 02G – 1 health professions account. To balance allotments to the expenditure authority schedule, the department redirected GF-state from base activities to release allotments. The department requests a correction in the budget language to reference the correct funding source. Without a correction in funding the department will not be able to fully implement the bill.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$68 (02G-1)	\$0	\$68 (02G-1)
2023	\$119 (02G-1)	\$0	\$119 (02G-1)

11. Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1477 – National 988 System

Chapter 302, Laws of 2021 Section 301 (3) provided the department \$80,000 from the state general fund - federal account to provide staff support to facilitate the implementation pursuant to section 109 of the bill. The department does not have federal grant for related to a national 988 system and this position is critical to implementing this legislation. The department requests an adjustment to the appropriation received to effectively implement the plan.

Fiscal Year	Appropriation Needed (Fund)	Appropriation Received (Fund)	Difference (Fund)
2022	\$40 (25N-1)	\$40 (001-2)	\$40 (25N-1)
2023	\$40 (25N-1)	\$40 (001-2)	\$40 (25N-1)

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Assumptions and Calculations

Expansion, Reduction, Elimination or Alteration of a current program or service:

This is not a request to expand or alter a current program or service. This request is necessary to implement legislation passed or correct existing errors in fund balances and appropriations.

Detailed Assumptions and Calculations:

Details regarding the calculations informing this request are available in the support documents.

Workforce Assumptions:

See the attached financial calculator (FNCal).

How is your proposal impacting equity in the state?

The programs and services at the Department of Health help prevent illness and injury, promote healthy places to live and work, provide information to help people make good health decisions and ensure our state is prepared for emergencies.

Strategic and Performance Outcomes

Strategic Framework:

This request supports the Governor’s Results Washington in the following goals:

- Healthy and Safe Communities
 1. Improving Behavioral Health
 2. Ensuring Access to Quality Healthcare
 3. Taking Action to End the Opioid Crisis

This request supports the Agency Strategic Plan in the following goals:

Funding – Diversify and secure funding and strategically deploy resources for maximum impact.

Performance Outcomes:

This request will allow DOH to implement enacted legislation with the corrections to existing spending authority.

Other Collateral Connections

Puget Sound Recovery:

N/A

State Workforce Impacts:

N/A

Intergovernmental:

N/A

Legal or Administrative Mandates:

N/A

Stakeholder Response:

N/A

Changes from Current Law:

N/A

State Facilities Impacts:

N/A

IT Addendum

Does this Decision Package include funding for any IT-related costs, including hardware, software, (including cloud-based services), contracts or IT staff?

No

Objects of Expenditure

Objects of Expenditure <i>Dollars in Thousands</i>	Fiscal Years		Biennial	Fiscal Years		Biennial
	2022	2023	2021-23	2024	2025	2023-25
Obj. A	\$263	\$1,054	\$1,317	\$392	\$421	\$813
Obj. B	\$115	\$387	\$502	\$156	\$167	\$323
Obj. C	\$967	\$944	\$1,911	\$944	\$944	\$1,888
Obj. E	\$63	\$124	\$187	\$49	\$54	\$103
Obj. G	\$5	\$2	\$7	\$3	\$3	\$6
Obj. J	\$10	\$14	\$24	\$1	\$1	\$2
Obj. N	(\$1,504)	\$1,722	\$218	\$0	\$0	\$0
Obj. T	\$31	\$76	\$107	\$36	\$37	\$73

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