

Rebecca Wasserman  
Office of Legislative Council  
June 5, 2020

1 Sec. X. LEGISLATIVE BRANCH; SPACE AND HEALTH AND SAFETY

2 ASSESSMENT; COVID-19 EMERGENCY; JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

3 (a) On or before July 1, 2020, the Joint Fiscal Office, in consultation with  
4 the Department of Buildings and General Services, shall contract with an  
5 independent third party for a health and safety and space needs assessment for  
6 the Legislative Branch for COVID-19 mitigation. The assessment shall  
7 include:

8 (1) recommendations for health and safety infrastructure measures  
9 needed to mitigate COVID-19 and meet social distancing requirements in the  
10 State House, and any other Legislative Branch space;

11 (2) options for use of space in the Capitol Complex for meetings and  
12 legislative staff offices, including 133 State Street.

13 (b) On or before August 15, 2020, the Joint Fiscal Office shall submit the  
14 assessment described in subsection (a) of this section to the House Committee  
15 on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions. The  
16 assessment shall include cost estimates for the recommended health and safety  
17 measures in subdivision (a)(1) of this section and the space options in  
18 subdivision (a)(2) of this section.

19 (c) The amount of up to \$50,000.00 is appropriated from the Coronavirus  
20 Relief Fund to the Joint Fiscal Office to conduct the assessment described in  
21 this section. Any amounts remaining after the assessment is complete shall  
22 revert to the Coronavirus Relief Fund