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Bill Topic: EXPANDING PEACE OFFICERS MENTAL HEALTH GRANT PROGRAM

- Summary of Fiscal Impact:
State Revenue [] TABOR Refund []
State Expenditure [x] Local Government [x]
State Transfer [] Statutory Public Entity []

The bill expands the Peace Officers Mental Health Support and Community Partnerships Grant Program and removes the repeal date, among other changes. In FY 2021-22, the bill increases state expenditures.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2021-22, the bill includes a \$1.0 million appropriation to the Department of Local Affairs.

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 21-1030

Table with 3 columns: Category, Budget Year FY 2021-22, and Out Year FY 2022-23. Rows include Revenue, Expenditures (General Fund, Centrally Appropriated, Total Expenditures, Total FTE), Transfers, and TABOR Refund.

Summary of Legislation

This bill allows additional public safety agencies and behavioral health entities to apply to the newly renamed Peace Officers Mental Health Support and Community Partnerships Grant Program (grant program) to provide responder community responses, community responses, and counseling services for peace officers and their immediate family members, among other services. In addition, the bill removes the repeal date for the grant program, encourages grant recipients to work with their regional community-based service providers, updates SMART Act reporting requirements, and removes outdated language. Finally, the bill appropriates an additional \$1.0 million to the grant program for FY 2021-22 and allows the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) to use up to 5 percent to pay for direct and indirect costs of administering the program.

Background

Under current law, 335 agencies are currently eligible to apply to the grant program; under this bill, an additional 330 agencies would be eligible to apply to the grant program for on-scene response services funding. Currently, the grant program is funded through a \$2.0 million General Fund appropriation.

State Expenditures

In FY 2021-22 only, the bill will increase expenditures in DOLA by \$1.0 million and 0.5 FTE to administer the additional \$1.0 million appropriated to the grant program. The FTE amount assumes that 5 percent of the \$1.0 million will be used on administrative costs. A breakdown of the costs are shown in Table 2 below. In addition, workload in DOLA will increase to update policies and procedures for the grant program to include changes made in the bill. This workload can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Table 2
Expenditures Under HB 21-1030

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23
Department of Local Affairs		
Personal Services	\$34,962	-
Operating Expenses	\$675	-
Capital Outlay Costs	\$6,200	-
Grants	\$950,000	-
Centrally Appropriated Costs	\$8,163	-
Total Cost	\$1,000,000	-
Total FTE	0.5 FTE	-

Local Government

Local public safety agencies may apply for and receive grant funding to support on-scene responsive services, which will increase revenue and expenditures.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 27, 2021, and takes effect on September 7, 2021, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State Appropriations

The bill includes the following appropriations in FY 2021-22:

- \$1.0 million from the General Fund to the Peace Officers Mental Health Support Fund; and
- \$1.0 million from the Peace Officers Mental Health Support Fund to the Department of Local Affairs.

In addition, the bill requires and includes an allocation of 0.5 FTE in FY 2021-22.

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