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Final Fiscal Note

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Bill Topic: LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY PEACE OFFICER SERVICES

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

The bill modifies and increases funds to an existing grant program to aid in mental health services for law enforcement. The bill increases state expenditures and local revenue and expenditures in FY 2022-23.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2022-23, the bill requires and includes a \$3.0 million to the Department of Local Affairs.

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

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 22-005

Table with 4 columns: Category, Sub-category, Budget Year FY 2022-23, and Out Year FY 2023-24. Rows include Revenue, Expenditures (Cash Funds, Centrally Appropriated, Total Expenditures, Total FTE), Transfers (General Fund, Cash Funds, Net Transfer), and Other Budget Impacts (General Fund Reserve).

1 This transfer is made through an appropriation of General Fund to a cash fund.

Summary of Legislation

The bill modifies and appropriates additional funds to the existing Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnerships Grant Program in the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA). Specifically, the bill expands the scope of the program to allow grantees to hire, contract, or develop a remote network to provide behavioral health counseling, therapy, or other services for officers involved in job-related traumatic situations. The bill appropriates \$3.0 million in FY 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnership Cash Fund for additional grants. Any unused funds at the end of the fiscal year remain available to DOLA for the next two fiscal years.

The money appropriated from the General Fund must be used for:

- counseling services;
- assistance to develop policies to support officers involved in a shooting;
- trainings that teach officers about symptoms of job-related mental trauma;
- peer support programs; or
- a remote network of behavioral health counseling.

State Transfers

In FY 2022-23, the bill appropriates \$3.0 million from the General Fund to the Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnership Cash Fund in DOLA.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state cash fund expenditures in DOLA by \$3.0 million from FY 2022-23 to FY 2024-25. Expenditures are shown in Table 2 and detailed below.

Table 2
Expenditures Under SB 22-005

Cost Components	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24
Department of Local Affairs		
Personal Services	\$148,078	-
Operating Expenses	\$3,375	-
Capital Outlay Costs	\$18,600	-
Grants	\$2,791,627	-
Centrally Appropriated Costs ¹	\$38,320	-
Total	\$3,000,000	-
Total FTE	up to 2.5 FTE	-

¹ Centrally appropriated costs are not included in the bill's appropriation.

Department of Local Affairs. Expenditures in DOLA will increase to administer additional Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnerships grants. The bill allows DOLA to use up to 7 percent of appropriated amounts for direct and indirect costs. This equates to about \$210,000 or 2.5 FTE and includes costs for personal services, operating expenses, capital outlay costs, and employee insurance and supplemental employee retirement payments. The remaining amount will be used for grants.

Centrally appropriated costs. Pursuant to a Joint Budget Committee policy, certain costs associated with this bill are addressed through the annual budget process and centrally appropriated in the Long Bill or supplemental appropriations bills, rather than in this bill. These costs, which include employee insurance and supplemental employee retirement payments, are shown in Table 2.

Other Budget Impacts

General Fund reserve. Under current law, an amount equal to 15 percent of General Fund appropriations must be set aside in the General Fund statutory reserve beginning in FY 2022-23. Based on this fiscal note, the bill is expected to increase the amount of General Fund held in reserve by the amounts shown in Table 1, decreasing the amount of General Fund available for other purposes.

Local Government

In FY 2022-23, revenue and expenditures in local government law enforcement agencies will increase to the extent they receive additional grants from the state.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect May 31, 2022.

State Appropriations

For FY 2022-23, the bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$3,000,000 from the General Fund to the Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnership Cash Fund, which is reappropriated to the Department of Local Affairs with 2.5 FTE. These funds have roll-forward spending authority through FY 2024-25

State and Local Government Contacts

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