CHAPTER 125

GOVERNMENT - STATE

HOUSE BILL 24-1421

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AN ACT

CONCERNING MODIFYING FUNDING FOR GRANT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-31-903, amend (5) as follows:

- **24-31-903. Division of criminal justice report.** (5) The Colorado state patrol and any local law enforcement agency that fails to meet its reporting requirements pursuant to this section is:
 - (a) Subject to the suspension of its funding by its appropriating authority; AND
- (b) Unless the Colorado State Patrol or local law enforcement agency is working with the division of criminal justice to meet its reporting requirements pursuant to this section, not eligible to be awarded grants under the multidisciplinary crime prevention grant program in section 24-33.5-527, the law enforcement workforce recruitment, retention, and tuition grant program in section 24-33.5-528, or the state's mission for assistance in recruiting and training (SMART) policing grant program in section 24-33.5-529.
- **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-527, **amend** (4)(a) and (6); and **add** (4)(c.5) as follows:
- 24-33.5-527. Multidisciplinary crime prevention and crisis intervention grant program committee fund reports repeal. (4) (a) There is created in

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the state treasury the multidisciplinary crime prevention and crisis intervention grant fund, referred to in this section as the "fund", consisting of any money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly and any money received by the division from gifts, grants, or donations for the grant program. The money in the fund is continuously appropriated to the division Subject to annual appropriation by The General assembly, the division May expend money from the fund for the direct and indirect costs associated with implementing the grant program.

- (c.5) (I) On July 1, 2024, the state treasurer shall transfer three million dollars from the general fund to the fund.
 - (II) This subsection (4)(c.5) is repealed, effective July 1, 2025.
 - (6) This section is repealed, effective January 1, 2025 JULY 1, 2027.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-528, **amend** (4)(a) as follows:

24-33.5-528. Law enforcement workforce recruitment, retention, and tuition grant program - committee - fund - reports - repeal. (4) (a) There is created in the state treasury the law enforcement workforce recruitment, retention, and tuition grant fund, referred to in this section as the "fund", consisting of any money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly and any money received by the division from gifts, grants, or donations for the grant program. The money in the fund is continuously appropriated to the division Subject to annual Appropriation by the general assembly, the division May expend money from the fund for the direct and indirect costs associated with implementing the grant program.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-529, **amend** (4)(a) as follows:

24-33.5-529. State's mission for assistance in recruiting and training (SMART) grant program - committee - fund - reports - definitions - repeal. (4) (a) There is created in the state treasury the SMART policing grant fund, referred to in this section as the "fund", consisting of any money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly and any money received by the division from gifts, grants, or donations for the SMART policing program. The money in the fund is continuously appropriated to the division SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE DIVISION MAY EXPEND MONEY FROM THE FUND for the direct and indirect costs associated with implementing the SMART policing program.

SECTION 5. Appropriation. (1) For the 2024-25 state fiscal year, \$14,493,178 is appropriated to the department of public safety for use by the division of criminal justice. This appropriation consists of \$7,031,919 from the SMART policing grant fund created in section 24-33.5-529 (4)(a), C.R.S., \$3,868,229 from the multidisciplinary crime prevention and crisis intervention grant fund created in section 24-33.5-527 (4)(a), C.R.S., and \$3,593,030 from the law enforcement workforce recruitment, retention, and tuition grant fund created in

section 24-33.5-528 (4)(a), C.R.S. To implement this act, the division may use this appropriation as follows:

- (a) \$7,031,919 from the SMART policing grant fund for the direct and indirect costs associated with implementing the SMART policing grant program;
- (b) \$3,868,229 from the multidisciplinary crime prevention and crisis intervention grant fund for the direct and indirect costs associated with implementing the multidisciplinary crime prevention and crisis intervention grant program; and
- (c) \$3,593,030 from the law enforcement workforce recruitment, retention, and tuition grant fund for the direct and indirect costs associated with implementing the law enforcement workforce recruitment, retention, and tuition grant program.
- **SECTION 6. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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