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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6913

BILL NUMBER: HB 1321

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 28, 2022

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Police Officer Training.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Garcia Wilburn

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the Law Enforcement Training Board to establish minimum standards for basic training and annual inservice training that address the mental health and wellness of law enforcement officers. It also requires the executive training program to include training in mental health and wellness and suicide prevention of law enforcement officers.

Effective Date: July 1, 2023.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Law Enforcement Training Board (LETB):* The bill requires LETB to adopt rules for minimum standards for basic training and annual inservice training that addresses the mental health and wellness of law enforcement officers. In addition, LETB would need to adopt rules for executive training to include mental health and wellness and suicide prevention of law enforcement officers. The bill would increase the workload for the board to adopt new rules. If the necessary and proper investigation and inquiry by the LETB leads to needing to consult for additional help to develop the rules for minimum standards, expenditures may increase for the LETB to the extent of additional help is needed.

Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA): This bill would increase workload and expenditures for ILEA to develop and add mental health and wellness of law enforcement officers training courses for Tier 1 basic training, inservice training, and the executive training program. The basic and inservice training courses would need to include healthy coping skills to preserve the mental health and manage the stress and trauma; recognizing systems of posttraumatic stress disorder; recognizing signs of suicidal behavior; and information on mental health resources available for law enforcement officers. Costs could be alleviated if any specialized instructors needed could be obtained from volunteers or for a minimal stipend.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Law Enforcement Training:* Similar to the ILEA, local law enforcement academies would have to add the required instruction into their basic course. If volunteer instructors or instructors at a minimal pay could be secured for additional hours of basic and annual inservice training, then it is likely the additional inservice training could be accomplished within existing levels of law enforcement resources. If volunteer or minimally paid instructors cannot be secured, additional local administrative action may be necessary to acquire the necessary funding.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Law Enforcement Training Board, Indiana Law Enforcement Academy.

Local Agencies Affected: Local law enforcement academies and agencies.

Information Sources:

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