

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Revised

House Bill 1102 (Delegate Taylor. *et al.*)

Appropriations

State Comptroller's Office - Investigative Services Unit

This bill provides that employees of the Comptroller of the Treasury's Investigative Services Unit who are sworn police officers are subject to the same salary plan, including grades, steps, and increments, as Maryland State Police troopers. When State Police troopers receive a salary, grade, or step increase, these officers would receive an equal salary, grade, or step increase.

This bill is effective July 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund expenditures could increase by \$67,500 in FY 1999. Future year estimates reflect 4% salary increases. Revenues would not be affected.

(in dollars)	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
GF Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GF Expenditures	\$67,500	\$90,600	\$114,700	\$139,700	\$165,800
Net Effect	(\$67,500)	(\$90,600)	(\$114,700)	(\$139,700)	(\$165,800)

Note: () - decrease; GF - general funds; FF - federal funds; SF - special funds

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

Background: The Comptroller's Investigative Services Unit is responsible for the enforcement of laws regarding transient vendors, alcohol and tobacco taxes, motor fuel taxes, and motor carrier tax revenues.

State Effect: There are 11 officers in the Investigative Services Unit who would be eligible for a salary increase under this bill. Expenditures would increase by an estimated \$67,500 in fiscal 1999 to bring these officers to parity with troopers of corresponding rank in the Department of State Police. The fiscal 1999 expenditure estimate reflects the adjustment of the current salaries of members of the Investigative Services Unit to establish parity with the State Police Salary Plan, the 4% salary increase in the State Police Salary Plan, and fringe benefits at 17% of salaries. The fiscal 1999 estimate also includes a \$1,275 per position adjustment for a general State salary increase. The Maryland State Police Salary Plan calls for 4% salary increases in fiscal years 2000 through 2003. Thus, the out-year general fund expenditure increases reflect 4% annual salary increases and fringe benefits at 17%.

Troopers in the State Police Salary Plan may also receive clothing stipends of \$750 in fiscal 1999 and \$900 in fiscal 2000. It is uncertain if the officers affected by this bill would receive these stipends, hence, this estimate does not reflect any adjustment for the stipends.

Information Sources: Comptroller of the Treasury (Bureau of Revenue Estimates), Department of State Police, Department of Legislative Services

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