Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE Revised

House Bill 679

(Delegate Rudolph, et al.)

Ways and Means

State Aid for Police Protection - Municipal Sworn Officer Allocation

This bill increases the payment calculation for State aid to municipalities for police protection based on the number of full-time sworn police officers employed by a municipality from \$1,200 to \$1,800 for each sworn officer.

The bill expresses a legislative intent that the increased municipal aid be included in the Governor's budget for fiscal 2000. The bill prohibits this increase in aid from being used by a qualifying municipality to supplant existing local funding for police protection. The bill is effective July 1, 1999.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund expenditures would increase by \$853,800 beginning in FY 2000 based on the increased amounts of municipal sworn officer allocations. This amount is included in the FY 2000 State budget.

(in dollars)	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
GF Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GF Expenditures	853,800	877,800	901,800	926,400	953,400
Net Effect	(\$853,800)	(\$877,800)	(\$901,800)	(\$926,400)	(\$953,400)

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

Local Effect: Municipal revenues and expenditures resulting from increased State aid for municipal sworn officers would increase by varying amounts.

Small Business Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

Background: Legislation enacted in 1996 increased the municipal officer grant from \$900 to \$1,200 per officer.

State Expenditures: Under this bill State expenditures for municipal sworn officer allocations would increase by \$853,800 in fiscal 2000; \$877,800 in fiscal 2001; \$901,800 in fiscal 2002; \$926,400 in fiscal 2003; and \$953,400 in fiscal 2004.

Local Revenues: Municipal revenues would vary reflecting the number of full-time sworn officers employed by each qualifying municipality.

Local Expenditures: It is assumed that local expenditures will increase by amounts reflecting the increases in revenue from State aid.

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