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SENATE BILL 803 Correctional Services – Drinking Driver Monitor Program – Position Requirement (Guzzone)

STATEMENT OF INFORMATION DATE: March 9, 2022

COMMITTEE: Senate Budget & Taxation and Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

SUMMARY OF BILL: SB 803 creates a new position classification of Drinking Driver Monitor III in the Division of Parole and Probation in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; and requires the salary of the new position to be not less than a Grade 13, Step 1 in the Standard Salary Plan, effective July 1, 2022.

EXPLANATION: The Department of Budget and Management's (DBM) Office of Personnel Services and Benefits (OPSB) is responsible for personnel matters pertaining to the State's workforce, including salary administration and classification, recruitment and examination, and employee relations. Within the OPSB is the Classification and Salary Division, which determines the classification for all State employee positions under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of DBM. The Division analyzes individual positions and systematically maintains the classification plan, including new classification requests. The Division also maintains the State Salary Plan. In addition, the Division recommends emergency salary actions and develops salary and benefits data and costs for pay recommendations.

There are currently three levels in the Drinking Driver Monitor Program:

- 1. Drinking Driver Monitor I, Grade STD 11
- 2. Drinking Driver Monitor II, Grade STD 12
- 3. Drinking Driver Monitor Supervisor, Grade STD 14

The legislation requires DBM to add a Drinking Driver Monitor III, at a Grade 13, Step 1, effective July 1, 2022. There are currently approximately 50 Drinking Driver Monitor II positions.

DBM has previously determined that a new class, Drinking Driver Monitor Senior, was not needed because there were no recruitment or retention problems within the series.

The legislation bypasses the classification and salary processes, otherwise established by law, and within the authority of the Secretary of DBM

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