

### Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> 21-5308/1	<b>Introduction Number</b> AB-0777	
<b>Description</b> grants to political subdivisions for additional policing and strategic planning to combat crime and grants for beat patrol and specialized officers		
<b>Fiscal Effect</b>		
<b>State:</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
<b>Local:</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs      3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue      5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs      4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts		
<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS    20.455 (2)(m) and (2)(n)		
<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>		
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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill, as amended by Assembly Amendment 1, modifies the Beat Patrol Officer Grant Program administered by the Department of Justice. Under current law, the department awards grants to ten communities with populations over 25,000 with the highest violent crime rates, as reported using Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) data. The grants are awarded for a period of three years. Recipient cities are awarded up to \$150,000 per year, funded by General Purpose Revenue from the appropriation under § 20.455 (2)(bm) and Program Revenue from the Justice Information Fee transferred from the Department of Administration, to support the costs of additional law enforcement officers assigned to beat patrol duties. Recipient cities must provide matching funds of at least 25 percent of the grant amount.

This bill expands the communities eligible for the Beat Patrol grant to all political subdivisions, defined as cities, villages, towns or counties. The bill expands the allowable use of the funds from law enforcement officers assigned to beat patrol duties to include specialized law enforcement officers with primary duties and assignments related to any law enforcement or public safety goal. The bill allows the department to issue two annual grant payments with the second payment contingent on the recipient's progress in meeting grant goals. The bill adds a requirement on recipient communities to provide progress reports including activity reports on funded law enforcement positions, crime data at the time of award and at the end of the award period, and other information specified by the department. Finally, the bill removes the \$150,000 cap on annual award amounts and requires the Governor to allocate \$5 million awarded to the state from the federal the American Rescue Plan Act of 2001 to the Beat Patrol and Specialized Officers Grant Program and law enforcement grant programs administered by the Department of Administration.

The bill adds administrative requirements on the department that require additional position authority. First, the expansion of the eligible entities will require the department to change from an invitation-only application process to an open application process under which grants are awarded to ten applying entities with the highest rates of UCR-reported crimes. Potentially up to 2,000 different entities would be eligible to submit applications requiring review. Although submissions are likely to be much lower, the department will need to set criteria and establish an award panel to review applications, post guidance and provide assistance to potential applicants in completing applications, compile and review UCR data, and determine the eligible applicant for applicants with shared jurisdictions. In addition, the expansion of the allowable assignments from beat patrol to include any law enforcement or public safety goal will require the department to review the law enforcement officer assignments to assess the role of assignments in meeting the proposed goals.

On an ongoing basis, the department will need to ensure compliance with performance reporting requirements and review reports to assess recipients' progress towards achieving stated goals. To the extent that the Governor allocates additional federal funding to increase the amount of awards, the department will need to review reimbursement claims and supporting documentation of additional expenses, positions, non-supplanting restrictions, and matching expenditures on an ongoing basis to ensure compliance with grant requirements and goals.

The department estimates the additional workload will require 0.5 full-time equivalent (FTE) grants specialist-advanced position and 0.5 FTE program and policy analyst-advanced position to award and administer the modified grant program on an ongoing basis, which cannot be absorbed within current resources. Currently, the costs of positions assigned to administer grant programs in the department are charged back to the administered grants based on the work effort of the employees. The additional time required to administer this program could not be charged back to existing federal or state grant programs as those are not allowable activities on those state and federal grant programs. The expansion of the scope of the grant program will also require additional expertise in law enforcement practices and crime suppression methods to determine the effectiveness of proposed assignments in meeting law enforcement and public safety goals, which exceeds the knowledge required to verify assignment of funded positions to beat patrol duties. Finally, the department will require 0.10 FTE research analyst position to compile and review UCR data included in applications, which

can be absorbed within current resources.

### **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

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 Division of Executive Budget and Finance

### Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2021 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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<b>I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):</b>			
<b>II. Annualized Costs:</b>		<b>Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:</b>	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
<b>A. State Costs by Category</b>			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$100,800	\$
(FTE Position Changes)		(1.0 FTE)	
State Operations - Other Costs		10,000	
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
<b>TOTAL State Costs by Category</b>		<b>\$110,800</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>			
GPR			
FED		110,800	
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
<b>III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)</b>			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$	\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT</b>			
		<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$110,800	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$	\$
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