

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DOJ 11/29/2023

LRB Number	23-3599/1	Introduction Number	AB-0542	Estimate Type	Original
Description grants to schools to acquire proactive firearm detection software and making an appropriation					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill requires the Department of Justice to create and implement a new grant program to provide funding to school boards and the governing bodies of public schools for the purchase of proactive firearm detection software.

The department must confirm that the applications meet the statutory requirements, including that the school board or governing body is working jointly with law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction over the school and that the software is developed in the United States, designated as anti-terrorism technology under 6 USC 441 et seq., is designed to integrate with existing school security cameras or other school security alert systems and has been successfully deployed in another school district or commercial user. Further, the bill requires that the artificial intelligence software is written and programmable to follow authorized protocol autonomously, or the software is managed directly by the contracted vendor through a constantly monitored operations center that is staffed by highly trained analysts, to rapidly communicate possible seen or unseen threats to end users.

Grants may be awarded up to \$325,000 and shall be awarded to qualified applicants in the order of application until funds are exhausted if the amount provided under the bill is insufficient to fund all applications received during the biennium. The bill provides \$4 million for grants.

The majority of School Safety positions, including the grants specialist position, are fully funded by federal grants and cannot be assigned to administer state grant programs without funding to support their work effort, as this grant program is not within the scope of current federal grant awards. In order to administer this grant program, including creating and publishing announcements, establishing criteria, ensuring application compliance with the detailed statutory requirements, providing technical assistance and support to applicants and awardees, and ensuring compliance with award requirements, the department requires 1.0 full-time equivalent position during the term of the grant program, which is assumed to be the 2023-25 biennium.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The fiscal estimate assumes a grant program administered during the 2023-25 biennium with no long-range costs.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2023 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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 Supplemental

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): Up to \$4 million GPR for the award of grants to school boards and the governing bodies of private schools, and \$95,000 GPR annually for the term of the grant program if the grant program does not continue beyond the 2023-25 biennium.		
II. Annualized Costs:		
	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
	Increased Costs Decreased Costs	
A. State Costs by Category		
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$90,000	\$
(FTE Position Changes)	(1.0 FTE)	
State Operations - Other Costs	5,000	
Local Assistance		
Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$95,000	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds		
GPR	95,000	
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)		
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$	\$
GPR Earned		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
TOTAL State Revenues	\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT		
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$95,000	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$
Agency/Prepared By Authorized Signature Date		
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