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LAW ENFORCEMENT OR -\$8,500,000 GF RV See Note Page 1 of 2
 Provides relative to the funding of bulletproof vests for peace officers

Proposed law amends and reenacts present law relative to the issuance of bulletproof vests to peace officers, provides relative to the funding of bulletproof vests, authorize the Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPSC) to receive funds from various sources, directs the state treasurer to deposit monies into the fund, requires the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) to promulgate rules and regulations with regard to the standards of bulletproof vests.

EXPENDITURES	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$534,090	\$372,733	\$372,733	\$412,087	\$373,483	\$2,065,126
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$4,045,000	\$4,045,000	\$4,045,000	\$4,045,000	\$4,045,000	\$20,225,000
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$4,579,090	\$4,417,733	\$4,417,733	\$4,457,087	\$4,418,483	\$22,290,126

REVENUES	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	(\$8,500,000)	(\$8,500,000)	(\$8,500,000)	(\$8,500,000)	(\$8,500,000)	(\$42,500,000)
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	\$42,500,000
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an increase in SGF expenditures to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Public Safety Services (DPSC) to provide bulletproof vests for every peace officer in Louisiana upon request. DPSC reports that there are approximately 25,000 peace officers in Louisiana per the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE), including Troopers and DPS Officers. The current contract price per bulletproof vests is \$809. This equates to a total cost of \$20,225,000 to provide a new or replacement vest to each peace officer. DPSC proposes to phase issuance of new or replacement vests over five years to mitigate potential excess workload impacts associated with administration of the program, as vests expire after five years and must be replaced.

Department of Public Safety - Public Safety Services

Proposed law directs the state treasurer to deposit \$8.5 M into the fund at the beginning of each fiscal year, presumed to be SGF equivalent although it is permissible to receive other funds, grants, donations, otherwise, any sum of money, aid, or assistance from any person, firm, or corporation from the United States, its agencies, the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision of the state. Proposed law provides that the legislature may appropriate additional monies into the fund notwithstanding the balance in the fund. Proposed law is silent with regard to the "fund," and neither specifies nor creates a fund as currently drafted. For purposes of this fiscal note, the LFO assumes expenditures of approximately \$4.05 M annually from a currently unspecified statutorily dedicated fund in accordance with DPSC's vest distribution plan detailed in the preceding paragraph of this fiscal note. *NOTE: The \$8.5 M annual dedication appears to exceed the five-year expenditure exposure described by DPSC of \$20,225,000 for approximately 25,000 peace officers.*

To implement proposed law, the Office of State Police reports that it will require five (5) Administrative Coordinators and one State Police Sergeant at a total annual personal services cost (salaries and related benefits) of approximately \$353,821 to accomplish this task. The Administrative Coordinators will schedule vendors to setup approximately 5,000 fittings statewide each year, travel to sites with vendors to manage fittings, arrange delivery of bulletproof vests, assign items for inventory

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REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law directs the state treasurer deposit \$8,500,000 into the "fund" at the beginning of each fiscal year. However, proposed law does not appear specify or create the "fund". To the extent that such a transfer should occur annually, the unspecified fund would realize an increase of \$8.5 M and the SGF would realize a corresponding dollar for dollar decrease.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
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purposes, etc. The State Police Sergeant would approve orders, provide general supervision over the Administrative Coordinators and manage the statewide bulletproof vest operation. *NOTE: The assumptions included in this fiscal note by DPSC do not include potential annual market rate adjustments. To the extent such market rate adjustments should be awarded, the total personal services cost would increase between 2 and 4 percent annually.*

DPSC estimates additional expenditures as follows: Travel - \$5,500 in year one, decreasing to \$2,500 in the out years; Operating Services - a one-time expenditure of \$75,000 (\$25,000 for cubicle/office building due to lack of space, \$15,000 for software - Adobe Suite, inventory management system, \$15,000 for a filing system, and \$20,000 for vest storage) in FY 21 and recurring annual operating services expenditures of \$12,245 for auto maintenance, auto supplies, digital cameras, and uniforms; Professional Services - a recurring expenditure of \$1,367 annually for physicals, testing and exams; Other Charges - a recurring expenditure of \$1,000 for investigative expenses (background checks); Interagency Transfer (IAT) - a recurring expenditure of \$1,800 for telephone services; and Acquisitions - expenditures of \$39,354 for an automobile and associated equipment, \$26,753 for service equipment such as firearms, radios, a mobile data terminal and other personal equipment, \$5,750 for office equipment, and \$11,500 for data equipment in FY 21, \$39,354 in FY 24 for anticipated replacement of the vehicle and associated equipment, and \$5,750 in FY 25 for replacement of office equipment. DPSC's costs are estimated to total approximately \$534,090 in FY 21, falling to approximately \$372,733 in the out years with the exception of FY 24 where the expenditure anticipates a replacement of the vehicle and associated equipment and FY 25 where the expenditure anticipates a replacement of office equipment. These expenditures are assumed to be SGF and subject to legislative appropriation. Proposed law does not appear to contain explicit language permitting these expenditures to be made from the referenced statutorily dedicated fund potentially referenced in the first paragraph of the DPSC section of the fiscal note on the previous page.

Expenditure Categories	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25
Personal Services	\$353,821	\$353,821	\$353,821	\$353,821	\$353,821
Travel	\$5,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
Operating Services/Supplies	\$87,245	\$12,245	\$12,245	\$12,245	\$12,245
Professional Services	\$1,367	\$1,367	\$1,367	\$1,367	\$1,367
Other Charges	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Acquisitions - Departmental	\$83,357	\$0	\$0	\$39,354	\$5,750
Acquisitions - Bulletproof Vests	\$4,045,000	\$4,045,000	\$4,045,000	\$4,045,000	\$4,045,000
Interagency Transfer (IAT)	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800
Total Expenditures	\$4,579,090	\$4,417,733	\$4,417,733	\$4,457,087	\$4,423,483

Other budget units

Proposed law requires LCLE to promulgate the rules and regulations necessary to provide for the standards of bulletproof vests to be distributed. LCLE reports that it can absorb these costs within existing budgetary and personnel resources.

While proposed law does not explicitly create a new statutory dedication, it makes reference to an annual deposit into a fund. Creating a new statutory dedication within the state treasury will result in a marginal workload increase for the Department of Treasury, which can generally be absorbed within existing resources. However, to the extent other legislative instruments create new statutory dedications, there may be material additional costs associated with the aggregate effort to administer these funds. The Treasury performs fund accounting, financial reporting, banking and custodial functions for 404 special funds. When unable to absorb additional workload with existing resources, the treasury anticipates that it will be required to add one T.O. position at a total personal services cost of approximately \$71,000 plus approximately \$2,450 for a one-time purchase of office equipment. These expenditures are assumed to be SGF and would add to the expenditures detailed in the EXPENDITURES block at the top of this fiscal note if realized.

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