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LAW ENFORCEMENT OR +\$8,868,446 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 2
 Provides relative to the funding of bulletproof vests for peace officers. (gov sig)

Present law requires that upon request, DPS&C provide bulletproof vests to every peace officer in the state provided that funds are appropriated for this purpose. Proposed law requires the Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Criminal Justice to adopt rules and regulations necessary for the administration and enforcement of proposed law, that the vests shall meet U.S. Dept. of Justice National Institute for Justice standards; and that the vests shall be wholly manufactured within nations that are party to the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement. Proposed law creates the DPS&C Special Protective Equipment Fund (fund) in the state treasury for funding of bulletproof vests for peace officers. Proposed law requires funds in the fund to be invested in the same manner as SGF funds. Proposed law provides that interest earned on investment of funds be credited to the fund and requires that unexpended and unencumbered funds remain in the fund. Proposed law requires the state treasurer, beginning July 1, 2024, and each July first thereafter, to deposit into the fund at the beginning of each fiscal year \$8.5 M from SGF.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$8,868,446	\$8,867,076	\$8,876,376	\$8,885,956	\$8,899,824	\$44,397,678
Agy. Self-Gen.	SEE BELOW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	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 is anticipated to increase SGF expenditures by \$8,868,446 within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Public Safety Service (DPS), Office of State Police beginning in FY 25 (\$8.5 M purchase of bulletproof vests and \$368,446 distribution of bulletproof vests). The proposed law creates the statutorily dedicated Department of Public Safety and Corrections Special Protective Equipment Fund in the Office of State Police and directs the treasurer to deposit \$8.5 M SGF at the beginning of FY 25 and each subsequent fiscal year.

Office of State Police - Distribution DPS reports needing four (4) additional staff within the Office of State Police to distribute the bulletproof vests to over 400 law enforcement agencies with approximately 26,000 officers. The staffing estimate includes salaries and related benefits for four Administrative Program Specialist A positions (\$351,686). Other recurring costs include office supplies (\$1,200), automotive maintenance (\$1,200), IAT to Office of Technology Services (OTS) for telephone and computer equipment (\$3,960), and acquisitions (\$10,400).

DPS Project Operating Budget Impact

EXPENDITURES	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 26-27	FY 27-28	FY 28-29
Personnel (4 Admin positions)	\$211,744	\$218,096	\$224,639	\$231,378	\$238,320
Related Benefits	\$139,942	\$142,620	\$145,377	\$148,218	\$151,144
Personnel Sub-Total	\$351,686	\$360,716	\$370,017	\$379,596	\$389,464
Operating Services	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
Supplies	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
Other Charges	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000
IAT - Programming/Telephones	\$3,960	\$3,960	\$3,960	\$3,960	\$3,960
Acquisitions	\$10,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
TOTAL	\$8,868,446	\$8,867,076	\$8,876,376	\$8,885,956	\$8,899,824

Note: In subsequent fiscal years, the fiscal note presumes a 3% increase in salaries.

The LFO cannot corroborate that the proposed law's requirements will create a workload level sufficient to require four additional employees. To the extent that existing employees are used, personnel costs will be mitigated.

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REVENUE EXPLANATION

This measure dedicates that \$8.5 M SGF per year is deposited into the Special Protective Equipment Fund. Therefore, \$8.5 M will not be available for SGF expenditures.

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
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
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LA Commission on Law Enforcement - Standards, Administration, and Enforcement

The proposed law does provide that the LA Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) shall promulgate rules for the administration and enforcement of bulletproof vests purchased with funds appropriated into the newly created Department of Public Safety and Corrections Special Protective Equipment Fund. LCLE reports no additional costs associated with developing and promulgating rules.

Treasury - New Statutory Dedication

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 additional material costs associated with the aggregate effort to administer these funds. The Treasury performs fund accounting, financial reporting, banking, and custodial functions for 443 special funds. When unable to absorb additional workload with existing resources, the Treasury anticipates it will be required to add one T.O. position at a total personnel services cost of approximately \$95,000, plus approximately \$2,450 for a one-time purchase of office equipment. These expenditures are assumed to be SGR in this fiscal note.

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