



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 407***

LCO No. 2634



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:  
(PS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING AGRICULTURAL FAIRS AND STATE POLICE OFFICERS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 29-5 of the 2020 supplement to the general statutes  
2 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2020*):

4 (a) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
5 may, within available appropriations, appoint suitable persons from the  
6 regular state police force as resident state [policemen] police officers in  
7 addition to the regular state police force to be employed and  
8 empowered as state [policemen] police officers in any town or two or  
9 more adjoining towns lacking an organized police force, and such  
10 officers may be detailed by said commissioner as resident state  
11 [policemen] police officers for regular assignment to such towns,  
12 provided (1) each town shall (A) pay eighty-five per cent of the cost of  
13 compensation, maintenance and other expenses of the first two state  
14 [policemen] police officers detailed to such town, and one hundred per  
15 cent of such costs of compensation, maintenance and other expenses for

16 any additional state [policemen] police officers detailed to such town; [,  
17 provided further such town shall] and (B) pay one hundred per cent of  
18 any overtime costs and such portion of fringe benefits directly  
19 associated with such overtime costs, except for the fiscal year ending  
20 June 30, 2020, and for each fiscal year thereafter, fifty per cent of the  
21 portion of the state employees' retirement system fringe recovery rate  
22 attributable to the unfunded liability of said system shall be paid by the  
23 Comptroller from the resources appropriated for State Comptroller-  
24 State Employees' Retirement System Unfunded Liability; and (2) during  
25 an agricultural fair in a town, the town or the organization that sponsors  
26 the agricultural fair shall pay eighty-five per cent of the cost of  
27 compensation, maintenance and other expenses of the state police  
28 officers providing on-site security for the fair and traffic control on  
29 public roads during such fair. Such town or towns and the  
30 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection are  
31 authorized to enter into agreements and contracts for such police  
32 services, with the approval of the Attorney General, for periods not  
33 exceeding two years.

34 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
35 the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall  
36 appoint a resident state policeman to serve in a pilot program  
37 assignment for two towns lacking an organized police force or  
38 constabulary and located within the jurisdiction of the same state police  
39 troop pursuant to a memorandum of agreement with towns requesting  
40 participation in the pilot program. Towns participating in the pilot  
41 program shall be responsible for the costs and expenses of such resident  
42 state policeman as provided in subsection (a) of this section.

43 (c) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
44 shall exercise such supervision and direction over any resident  
45 policeman so appointed as said commissioner deems necessary, and  
46 each appointee shall be required to conform to the requirements of  
47 chapter 67. Each resident state policeman shall have the same powers as  
48 officers of the regular state police force and be entitled to the same rights  
49 and subject to the same rules and regulations as the Division of State

50 Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public  
51 Protection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2020</i>	29-5
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To limit the reimbursement rate for state police officers providing on-site security and traffic control related to agricultural fairs in towns with resident state troopers.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*