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 Provides for the protection of schools. (gov sig)

Proposed law authorizes any school district in the state to designate persons as school protection officers, who can carry a concealed firearm in any school in the district. Proposed law provides the designation must be in writing and submitted to the superintendent of the school district. Proposed law requires a school protection officer to have a completion certificate from a training program approved by State Police. Within 30 days, proposed law requires the superintendent of a school district that designates any school protection officers to notify the Superintendent/Colonel of State Police in writing. Proposed law requires State Police to maintain a list of all persons designated as school protection officers and to make the list available to all law enforcement agencies. If a school district revokes a person's school protection officer designation, the superintendent must notify State Police in writing within 15 days. Under proposed law, the Colonel of State Police has final authority over all revocation appeals of school protection officer designation.

EXPENDITURES	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$120,899	\$70,934	\$72,618	\$74,352	\$77,139	\$415,942
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						
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Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law is anticipated to increase SGF expenditures by \$120,899 for developing and maintaining a database within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Public Safety Service (DPS), Office of State Police beginning in FY 24 and subsequent fiscal years reflecting an anticipated increase in personal services associated with market rate adjustments; and proposed law will likely result in an indeterminable increase in local expenditures in Local Education Authorities that depends on the number of school protection officers. The proposed law authorizes any district to designate persons as school protection officers who can carry concealed firearms in any school in the district and requires State Police to maintain a list of school protection officers. Also, the proposed law requires school protection officers to complete the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) training and have concealed handgun permits.

Local Education Authorities - The proposed law will likely result in an indeterminable increase in local school boards/Local Education Authorities (LEAs) depending on the number of designated school protection officers. The LFO presumes LEAs will pay for P.O.S.T. training and concealed handgun permits. The cost of P.O.S.T. training depends on whom this training course will be directed. LCLE states that the existing average training cost for a new peace officer is \$835 per officer. The cost of a concealed handgun permit fee is \$135 (\$125 for a 5-year permit plus a \$10 fingerprint fee).

Department of Public Safety and Correction, Public Safety Services, State Police - The proposed law is anticipated to increase costs within State Police by \$120,899 in FY 24 associated with a list of designated school protection officers. The proposed law requires the LA Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information within State Police to develop and maintain a list of school protection officers that is available to local law enforcement agencies, ensure P.O.S.T. certified training, and process appeals. DPS reports needing one additional staff within the Office of State Police to perform the duties and responsibilities under this measure for approximately 2,000 schools. See Expenditure Explanation on Page 2. Also, the proposed law is anticipated to result in an indeterminable increase in State Police related training and processing appeals as the requirements are unclear.

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REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will likely result in an indeterminable increase in revenue into the statutorily dedicated Concealed Handgun Permit Fund related to a new or renewal of five-year permits for concealed weapons for designated school protection officers. The cost of a concealed handgun permit fee is \$135 (\$125 for a 5-year permit plus a \$10 fingerprint fee). The number of concealed handgun permits sought and issued to designed school protection officers is unknown and any revenue derived is indeterminable.

<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	<u>House</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}		<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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The staffing estimate includes salaries and related benefits for a Criminal Records Analyst position (\$67,169). Other recurring costs include office supplies (\$300), automotive maintenance (\$300), and IAT to Office of Technology Services (OTS) for telephone, computer equipment, and storage (\$1,530). One-time expenditures include acquisitions of office furniture (\$1,600) and computer equipment (\$1,000) and IAT to OTS to purchase a new database (\$49,000). In subsequent fiscal years, the fiscal note presumes a 3% increase in salaries for market rate adjustments and related benefits as the LFO presumes positions will be classified.

DPS Projected Operating Budget Impact Expenditures

Position	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Criminal Records Analyst 3	\$38,418	\$39,571	\$40,758	\$41,980	\$43,240
Related Benefits	<u>\$28,751</u>	<u>\$29,233</u>	<u>\$29,730</u>	<u>\$30,242</u>	<u>\$30,769</u>
Personal Services Sub-total	\$67,169	\$68,804	\$70,488	\$72,222	\$74,009
Operating Services	\$300	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Supplies	\$300	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Acquisitions	\$2,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000
IAT	<u>\$50,530</u>	<u>\$1,530</u>	<u>\$1,530</u>	<u>\$1,530</u>	<u>\$1,530</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$120,899</u>	<u>\$70,934</u>	<u>\$72,618</u>	<u>\$74,352</u>	<u>\$77,139</u>

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