

HB 8

FISCAL NOTE



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SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Tennessee Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (POST) to pay an annual supplement of \$800 to campus police officers and public safety officers employed by public and private institutions of higher education who successfully complete their required annual in-service training. Requires campus police officers and public safety officers unable to attend in-service training due to their service to the armed forces to still receive the supplement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

STATE GOVERNMENT	
EXPENDITURES	General Fund
FY25-26 & Subsequent Years	\$449,600

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 38-8-107(d), campus police officers and public safety officers are currently required to successfully complete an annual in-service training to retain their POST certification. This annual in-service training is the same training that local police officers and sheriffs are required to complete as part of POST certification.
- However, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 38-8-111, local police officers and sheriffs are the only officers who receive an annual supplement of \$800 after successfully completing the annual in-service training.
- The proposed legislation would extend the \$800 annual supplement to include campus police officers and public safety officers employed or commissioned by private or public institutions of higher education who already complete the same required in-service training.
- Based on data provided by the POST there is a combined total of 562 commissioned officers employed at institutions of higher education that will be eligible to receive the \$800 supplement under the proposed legislation.
- The number of campus police officers and safety officers is assumed to remain constant over time.
- Therefore, extending the supplement to such officers would result in a recurring increase in state expenditures of \$449,600 (\$800 supplement x 562 officers) in FY25-26 and each subsequent year.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Bojan Savic, Executive Director