

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	8 - 1 - 1
Yeas:	Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Krieger, Smith J., Stiegler, Whisnant, Barker
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Exc.:	Shields
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Meeting Dates:	5/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Stipulates reimbursement of training costs between governmental agencies for public safety officers trained by one agency who then leave within three years to work for another. Allows agency that originally employed the officer to waive reimbursement.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Desire to recoup training costs, which can exceed \$20,000
- Bill may remove a current disincentive to train
- Some local governments and law enforcement agencies agree there's a problem but have mixed reactions to the solution of formal reimbursement

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Clarifies definitions and training costs to be covered.

BACKGROUND: The pro rata reimbursement schedule is as follows:

State police officer, police officer or deputy sheriff:

100% if leave within 12 months

66% if leave within 13-23 months

33% if leave within 24-35 months

State or local corrections officer, parole and probation officer:

100% if leave within 10 months

66% of leave within 11-19 months

33% if leave within 19-29 months

The bill states that hiring agencies may not take into consideration the possibility of having to reimburse training costs of a candidate.