SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 23: Department of State Police Equitable Sharing

To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Public Safety Subcommittee

Carrier: Senator Gorsek

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means recommend including an increase of \$3,039,868 in the Federal Funds expenditure limitation for the Department of State Police in a budget reconciliation bill during the 2022 legislative session, to make purchases under the Equitable Sharing Program.

The U.S. Department of Justice's Equitable Sharing Program, formerly referred to as the Asset Forfeiture Program, provides one-time funding to its partner agencies that can be used for certain eligible expenses. OSP intends to use the available funds to purchase five Mobile Command Post Vehicles, three Explosive Unit Response Trucks, and upgrade three of its current Hazardous Duty Robots.

The Subcommittee recommends approval.