

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 39: Department of Public Safety Standards and Training Basic Police Course Training

To: Emergency Board Full Committee
From: General Government Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Hansell

The General Government Subcommittee recommends that the Emergency Board increase Other Funds expenditure limitation by \$1,280,000 for the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training for two additional Basic Police courses.

The Basic Police Course provided by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training is required for newly hired city, county, tribal, university, and state law enforcement officers. The current 2021-23 budget provides funding for 16 Basic Police courses offered throughout the biennium, however in 2022 there has been more demand due to increased hiring among local law enforcement agencies. As a result, DPSST has added two additional classes and the Basic Police course is already filled for classes starting in October, November, December and February.

The cost of the Basic Police course is around \$640,000 per class for meals, lodging, ammunition, and instruction for 40 students over 16 weeks. Funding for the courses comes from the Criminal Fines Account monies and DPSST reports there is sufficient cash balance available to fund the added courses without an additional CFA allocation.

The Subcommittee recommends approval.