

Department of Public Safety Standards and Training

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DATE:	February 28, 2023
TO:	Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary
FROM:	Brian Henson, Interim Director of the DPSST and Co-chair of the Commission
SUBJECT:	Senate Bill 808

The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) is neutral on SB 808.

<u>Summary:</u> SB 808 makes changes to the membership of the Commission on Statewide Law Enforcement Standards of Conduct and Discipline (Commission), amends the definition of "law enforcement officer" used by the Commission, provides technical amendments to the statute, including clarifications to the voting and quorum requirements, and restructures the administration of the Commission.

Effect/Impact of SB 808 on the DPSST: As established by HB 2930 (2021), the Commission's administrative duties are under the joint authority of the Attorney General or a designee from the Attorney General's office and the Director of the DPSST or their designee as co-chairs of the Commission. SB 808 restructures the Commission by transferring the joint authority for administrative duties such as appointing members, serving as chair, and executing the duties of the Commission to the Attorney General. The Director of the DPSST, or their designee, will continue to serve as a member of the Commission. SB 808 will not have any fiscal or operational impacts on the DPSST.