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AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF AND SERVICES FOR POLICE OFFICERS, CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS REGARDING POLICE TRAINING AND CERTAIN REPORTS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Mental Health & Addiction Serv., Dept.	GF - Cost	100,000	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill appropriates \$100,000 in FY 23 to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) to provide grants to nonprofits organizations for providing crisis intervention training to police officers.

The remaining provisions, which are anticipated to be completed with existing resources, have no fiscal impact. Such provisions include: (1) studies by the Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy and the Police Officer Standards and Training (POST) Council; (2) a task force to study the mental health needs of law enforcement; and (3) a requirement for POST to develop a training program for police officers interacting with people with mental or physical disabilities.

The bill also prohibits discrimination against police officers for seeking a certain behavioral health assessment. This has no fiscal impact.

The Out Years

The bill appropriates funding for DMHAS to provide grants in FY 23 only and is therefore not anticipated to result in an out-year impact.