



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 355

February Session, 2008

* SB00355APP 040108 *

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A GRANT PROGRAM TO FOSTER
COMMUNITY POLICING AND THE HIRING AND RETAINING OF
POLICE OFFICERS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The Office of Policy and
2 Management shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant
3 program to enhance the ability of large municipalities to hire and
4 retain qualified public safety personnel and to foster community
5 policing that will be proactive and responsive to the needs of
6 neighborhoods and communities. Grants pursuant to this subsection
7 shall be awarded to municipalities and may be used for: (1) The hiring
8 of additional police personnel, (2) police personnel salary
9 enhancement, and (3) the lease or purchase of facilities for community
10 police stations.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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| Section 1 | <i>July 1, 2008</i> | New section |
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