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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

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AN ACT CONCERNING STATE POLICE STAFFING.

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

1 Section 1. Section 29-4 of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes
2 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *from passage*):

4 The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection
5 shall appoint [and maintain a minimum of one thousand two hundred
6 forty-eight sworn] state police personnel to efficiently maintain the
7 operation of the division. On or before September fifteenth of each
8 even-numbered year, the commissioner shall submit a report to the
9 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance
10 of matters relating to public safety, in accordance with section 11-4a,
11 providing an assessment of the number of sworn personnel necessary
12 to perform division operations for the biennium beginning the
13 following July first including, but not limited to, identifying those

14 positions performed by sworn personnel that do not require the
15 exercise of police powers. The commissioner shall appoint [from
16 among such personnel] not more than three lieutenant colonels who
17 shall be in the unclassified service as provided in section 5-198. Any
18 permanent employee in the classified service who accepts appointment
19 to the position of lieutenant colonel in the unclassified service may
20 return to the classified service at such employee's former rank. The
21 commissioner shall appoint not more than twelve majors who shall be
22 in the classified service. The position of major in the unclassified
23 service shall be abolished on July 1, 2011. Any permanent employee in
24 the classified service who accepts appointment to the position of major
25 in the unclassified service prior to July 1, 2011, may return to the
26 classified service at such permanent employee's former rank. The
27 commissioner, subject to the provisions of chapter 67, shall appoint
28 such numbers of captains, lieutenants, sergeants, detectives and
29 corporals as the commissioner deems necessary to officer efficiently
30 the state police force. The commissioner shall establish such divisions
31 as the commissioner deems necessary for effective operation of the
32 state police force and consistent with budgetary allotments, a Criminal
33 Intelligence Division and a state-wide organized crime investigative
34 task force to be engaged throughout the state for the purpose of
35 preventing and detecting any violation of the criminal law. The head
36 of the Criminal Intelligence Division shall be of the rank of sergeant or
37 above. The head of the state-wide organized crime investigative task
38 force shall be a police officer. Salaries of the members of the Division of
39 State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public
40 Protection shall be fixed by the Commissioner of Administrative
41 Services as provided in section 4-40. State police personnel may be
42 promoted, demoted, suspended or removed by the commissioner, but
43 no final dismissal from the service shall be ordered until a hearing has
44 been had before said commissioner on charges preferred against such
45 officer. Each state police officer shall, before entering upon such
46 officer's duties, be sworn to the faithful performance of such duties.
47 The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall

48 designate an adequate patrol force for motor patrol work exclusively.

49 Sec. 2. Section 29-22 of the general statutes is repealed and the
50 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

51 The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection is
52 authorized to recruit, train and organize a volunteer police auxiliary
53 force for the purpose of providing emergency services throughout the
54 state for peacetime or wartime emergencies or threatened emergencies
55 and for augmenting the state police force in such manner as the
56 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection may deem
57 appropriate. Such volunteer police auxiliary force shall at all times be
58 under the direction of said commissioner and subject to the rules and
59 regulations of the Division of State Police within the Department of
60 Emergency Services and Public Protection. [The total membership of
61 the auxiliary force shall not exceed in number twice the authorized
62 strength prescribed in section 29-4 for the state police, and such] Such
63 auxiliary force may be equipped with uniforms prescribed by the
64 commissioner and delegated special police powers for specific
65 emergency police duties. The commissioner may, within available
66 appropriations, provide subsistence and maintenance to the volunteer
67 police auxiliary force when called to duty. In the event of participation
68 in emergency services, the members of the volunteer police auxiliary
69 force shall have the same immunities and privileges as apply to the
70 organized militia and to the regular members of the Division of State
71 Police. All members of the volunteer police auxiliary force shall be
72 compensated for death, disability or injury incurred while in training
73 for or on auxiliary state police duty under the provisions of this section
74 as follows: (1) Employees of the state, municipalities or political
75 subdivisions of the state who are members of the volunteer police
76 auxiliary force and for whom such compensation is provided by any
77 provision of existing law shall be construed to be acting within the
78 scope of their employment while in training for or engaged in auxiliary
79 state police duty and shall be compensated in accordance with the
80 provisions of chapter 568 and sections 5-142 and 5-144. (2) Any persons

81 who are engaged in regular employment apart and separate from their
82 duties as members of the volunteer police auxiliary force and for
83 whom such compensation is not so provided shall, while in training
84 for or engaged in duties under the provisions of this section, be
85 construed to be employees of the state for the purpose of chapter 568
86 and sections 5-142 and 5-144, and shall be compensated by the state in
87 accordance with the provisions of said chapter and sections.

88 Sec. 3. Section 29-3b of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective from*
89 *passage*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	29-4
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	29-22
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]