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Substitute Senate Bill No. 288

Senate, April 1, 2014

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through SEN. HARTLEY, J. of the 15th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE OF COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
RESIDENT STATE TROOPERS.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 29-5 of the 2014 supplement to the general statutes
2 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2014*):

4 (a) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection
5 may, within available appropriations, appoint suitable persons from
6 the regular state police force as resident state policemen in addition to
7 the regular state police force to be employed and empowered as state
8 policemen in any town or two or more adjoining towns lacking an
9 organized police force, and such officers may be detailed by said
10 commissioner as resident state policemen for regular assignment to
11 such towns, provided each town shall pay sixty per cent of the cost of
12 compensation, maintenance and other expenses of the state policemen
13 detailed to such town, and on and after July 1, 2011, each town shall

14 pay seventy per cent of such regular cost and other expenses and one
 15 hundred per cent of any overtime costs and such portion of fringe
 16 benefits directly associated with such overtime costs. For the fiscal year
 17 ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, the town's portion
 18 of such fringe benefits shall be equivalent to the portion of fringe
 19 benefits that such town owed for the prior fiscal year. Such town or
 20 towns and the [Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public
 21 Protection] commissioner are authorized to enter into agreements and
 22 contracts for such police services, with the approval of the Attorney
 23 General, for periods not exceeding two years.

24 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
 25 the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall
 26 appoint a resident state policeman to serve in a pilot program
 27 assignment for two towns lacking an organized police force or
 28 constabulary and located within the jurisdiction of the same state
 29 police troop pursuant to a memorandum of agreement with towns
 30 requesting participation in the pilot program. Towns participating in
 31 the pilot program shall be responsible for the costs and expenses of
 32 such resident state policeman as provided in subsection (a) of this
 33 section.

34 (c) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection
 35 shall exercise such supervision and direction over any resident
 36 policeman so appointed as said commissioner deems necessary, and
 37 each appointee shall be required to conform to the requirements of
 38 chapter 67. Each resident state policeman shall have the same powers
 39 as officers of the regular state police force and be entitled to the same
 40 rights and subject to the same rules and regulations as the Division of
 41 State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public
 42 Protection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill does not result in a fiscal impact to the state or municipalities as the bill does not change the current percentage required to be reimbursed by municipalities for resident state troopers in current statute.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR Bill Analysis**sSB 288*****AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE OF COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH RESIDENT STATE TROOPERS.*****SUMMARY:**

The law requires towns participating in the resident trooper program to pay (1) 70% of the regular cost and expenses of employing a trooper and (2) 100% of the overtime costs and portion of fringe benefits directly associated with overtime costs. For FY 15 and each fiscal year thereafter, this bill freezes the municipal payment for fringe benefits to the portion the town owed for the previous fiscal year, which, under current law, is 100% of the benefits directly related to overtime costs.

Under the resident trooper program, the emergency services and public protection commissioner assigns state police officers, under contract, to provide law enforcement duties in towns that do not have organized police departments.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2014

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 23 Nay 1 (03/18/2014)