



General Assembly

January Session, 2023

**Substitute Bill No. 5363**



**AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ACCOUNT TO COMPENSATE FAMILIES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established an  
2 account to be known as the "law enforcement officer memorial account"  
3 which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund.  
4 The account shall contain any (1) amounts appropriated or otherwise  
5 made available by the state for the purposes of this section, (2) moneys  
6 required by law to be deposited in the account, and (3) gifts, grants,  
7 donations or bequests made for the purposes of this section. Investment  
8 earnings credited to the assets of the account shall become part of the  
9 assets of the account. The State Treasurer shall administer the account.

10 (b) Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of  
11 Emergency Services and Public Protection for the purpose of providing  
12 grants to the families of law enforcement officers killed in the line of  
13 duty. The commissioner may deduct and retain from the moneys in the  
14 account an amount equal to the costs incurred by the Department of  
15 Emergency Services and Public Protection in administering the account,  
16 except said amount shall not exceed two per cent of the moneys  
17 deposited in the account in any fiscal year. The commissioner may  
18 establish an application process for eligible persons to apply for a grant  
19 under this section.

20 (c) Not later than January 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, the  
21 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall  
22 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general  
23 statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly  
24 having cognizance of matters relating to public safety and  
25 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies regarding the  
26 following information for the preceding calendar year: (1) The number  
27 of grant applications received, (2) the number of eligible persons or  
28 families that received grants under this section, (3) the amount in grants  
29 made to each such eligible person or family, and (4) any  
30 recommendations regarding the distribution of moneys from the  
31 account, including any proposed legislation to facilitate the purposes of  
32 this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

In Subsec. (a), "Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding." was deleted to avoid repetition.

**APP**      *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*