



**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE  
Fiscal Note**

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 Creates the office of gun violence prevention. (8/1/24)

Proposed law provides that the office of gun violence prevention (office) perform the functions of the state relative to gun violence prevention research and make such policy recommendations to reduce gun violence in the state. Proposed law provides that the office be under the direct supervision and control of the superintendent of state police. Proposed law provides that the office be administered by the coordinator appointed by the governor, subject to Senate confirmation, for a term concurrent with the governor. Proposed law requires the office to develop a strategy to identify causes of gun violence in a community and to incorporate a public safety and health approach to improve social determinants of safety and health for communities most affected by gun violence. Proposed law requires the office to submit an initial written plan of action to the legislature, no later than February 1, 2026, detailing how the office will incorporate a public safety and health approach to any gun violence prevention-related programs and services.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Annual Total</b>						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law creates the Office of Gun Violence Prevention and provides for the appointment of a coordinator to serve for a term concurrent with the Governor.

The Department of Public Safety reports that the staffing requirements necessary to operate an effective Office would likely incorporate four (4) new T.O. positions - one (1) coordinator at \$169,698 (\$110,000 salary, \$59,698 related benefits), one (1) sergeant at \$159,867 (\$85,391 salary, \$74,476 related benefits), and two (2) troopers at \$291,847 (\$154,554 salary, \$137,293 related benefits). The breakdown of expenditures is below:

Expenditures	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
(1) Coordinator	\$110,000	\$113,300	\$116,699	\$120,200	\$123,806
(1) Sergeant	\$85,391	\$87,953	\$90,591	\$93,309	\$96,108
(2) Troopers	\$154,554	\$159,191	\$163,966	\$168,885	\$173,952
Position Salaries	\$349,945	\$360,444	\$371,256	\$382,394	\$393,866
Related Benefits	\$271,467	\$278,050	\$284,830	\$291,814	\$299,007
Total Personal Services	\$621,412	\$638,494	\$656,086	\$674,208	\$692,873
Total Operating Services	\$90,900	\$90,900	\$90,900	\$90,900	\$90,900
Total Professional Services	\$4,101	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Acquisitions	\$31,142	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
Total IAT	\$8,676	\$8,676	\$8,676	\$8,676	\$8,676
Total Expenditures	\$756,231	\$738,070	\$755,662	\$773,784	\$796,449

\* In the ensuing fiscal years, a 3% increase is factored in the salaries and related benefits for market rate adjustments (merits).

Note: The bill requires only the appointment of a coordinator. The LFO cannot corroborate that the proposed law's requirement will create a workload level sufficient to require three (3) additional positions as indicated by DPS. To the extent that existing employees are used, personnel costs will be mitigated.


The proposed law does not identify a recurring source of funding to support the expenditures but provides that the Office may receive a specific appropriation by the legislature. For this fiscal note, these expenditures are assumed to be SGF.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House  
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

  
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