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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING CREATION OF A GRANT PROGRAM TO SUPPORT A SHARED**
102 **PEACE OFFICER AUXILIARY.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill creates the reserve academy grant program to provide a one-time grant to a political subdivision of the state that is comprised of multiple participating jurisdictions and that is formed for the purpose of funding a reserve peace officer academy that will train and certify a shared reserve peace officer auxiliary group. The division of homeland security and emergency management (division) will administer the grant

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

program. The division may accept gifts, grants, and donations to use towards the grant program. The division shall consider the following criteria in awarding the grant:

- ! Existing access to start-up capital;
- ! The capacity to serve communities statewide; and
- ! The ability to assist law enforcement agencies in times of need.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly
3 hereby finds and declares that:

4 (a) There exist in Colorado multiple jurisdictions that want to
5 collaborate in order to create a shared reserve peace officer auxiliary
6 group that would provide support and assistance to municipal
7 governments and local, county, and state law enforcement agencies in the
8 state;

9 (b) Members of these groups often work in peace officer positions
10 similar to reserve peace officers, without peace officer training and
11 certification provided by the peace officers standards and training board;
12 and

13 (c) An auxiliary group with peace officer training and certification
14 provided by the peace officers standards and training board is in the
15 interest of professional policing in Colorado and better serves local
16 government and local law enforcement agencies in the state.

17 (2) Therefore, the general assembly determines that it is necessary
18 to provide one-time funding for a reserve peace officer training academy
19 in order for a political subdivision of the state that is comprised of
20 multiple jurisdictions to create a shared reserve peace officer auxiliary
21 group that serves the jurisdictions.

22 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-33.5-1616 as

1 follows:

2 **24-33.5-1616. Reserve academy grant program - created -**

3 **rules - repeal.** (1) THERE IS CREATED IN THE DIVISION THE RESERVE
4 ACADEMY GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE A GRANT TO A POLITICAL
5 SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE THAT IS COMPRISED OF MULTIPLE
6 JURISDICTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A RESERVE PEACE OFFICER
7 TRAINING ACADEMY THAT WILL TRAIN AND CERTIFY A RESERVE PEACE
8 OFFICER AUXILIARY GROUP. THE DIVISION MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND
9 EXPEND GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES
10 FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.

11 (2) THE GRANT RECIPIENT MAY USE THE MONEY RECEIVED
12 THROUGH THE GRANT PROGRAM TO FUND A RESERVE PEACE OFFICER
13 TRAINING ACADEMY.

14 (3) THE DIVISION SHALL ADMINISTER THE GRANT PROGRAM AND,
15 SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, SHALL AWARD A GRANT AS
16 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION.

17 (4) THE DIVISION SHALL IMPLEMENT THE GRANT PROGRAM IN
18 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION. PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE
19 24, THE DIVISION SHALL PROMULGATE SUCH RULES AS ARE REQUIRED IN
20 THIS SECTION AND SUCH ADDITIONAL RULES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO
21 IMPLEMENT THE GRANT PROGRAM. AT A MINIMUM, THE RULES MUST
22 SPECIFY THE TIME FRAMES FOR APPLYING FOR GRANTS, THE FORM OF THE
23 GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION, AND THE TIME FRAMES FOR DISTRIBUTING
24 GRANT MONEY.

25 (5) (a) TO RECEIVE THE GRANT, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE
26 STATE THAT IS COMPRISED OF MULTIPLE JURISDICTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE
27 OF CREATING A SHARED RESERVE PEACE OFFICER AUXILIARY GROUP MUST

1 SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE DIVISION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES
2 PROMULGATED BY THE DIVISION.

3 (b) THE DIVISION SHALL REVIEW THE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED
4 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. IN AWARDING THE GRANT, THE DIVISION
5 SHALL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

6 (I) EXISTING ACCESS TO START-UP CAPITAL;

7 (II) THE CAPACITY TO SERVE COMMUNITIES STATEWIDE; AND

8 (III) THE ABILITY TO ASSIST LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN
9 TIMES OF NEED.

10 (c) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, ON OR BEFORE
11 DECEMBER 31, 2017, THE DIVISION SHALL AWARD A GRANT AS PROVIDED
12 IN THIS SECTION. THE DIVISION SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE GRANT MONEY
13 WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DIVISION AWARDS THE GRANT.

14 (6) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019.

15 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
16 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
17 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.