

Items 8120-002-0001 and 8120-102-0001 Increased Peace Officer Training Funding

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Both Houses Approved Additional Funding for Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST), but Differ in Uses and Length of Funding

- Senate approved the Governor's proposal to provide a \$34.9 million ongoing General Fund augmentation to POST, which plans to use the funding to restore certain programs and services that had been previously eliminated due to declines in criminal fine and fee revenue, as well as to expand certain programs or services, or to offer certain new programs or services.
- Assembly approved a one-time \$34.9 million General Fund augmentation in 2019-20 for POST. However, the additional funds are contingent on the enactment of legislation changing the current standard for when law enforcement officers can use deadly force. The funds would generally be used specifically to help train officers on meeting the new standard. Under the Assembly's plan, \$3 million of the above \$34.9 million would be available on an ongoing basis for POST administration costs.
- Assembly approved budget bill language requiring annual reporting on the overall effectiveness of the funding provided in helping law enforcement officers meet the new standard, as well as reporting on certain metrics (such as the number of officers trained and the cost per training attended by training delivery method).



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Planned Use of Proposed 2019-20 General Fund Augmentation for POST

(In Millions)

	Senate	Assembly
POST Administration		
Replace and modernize technological equipment	\$3.2	_
Support increased workload, improve existing databases, and develop new course materials	1.5	_
Support increased workload, improve existing databases, and replace and modernize technological equipment		\$3.0
Subtotals	(\$4.7)	(\$3.0)
Training and Ensuring Quality of Training		
New course materials, curriculum, and equipment	_	\$8.9
Update existing training curriculum	\$1.5	3.0
Restore Quality Assurance Program—auditing consistency and delivery quality of POST-certified classes	1.0	-
Various other training purposes	3.2	_
Subtotals	(\$5.7)	(\$11.9)
Local Assistance and Reimbursement Funding		
Reinstate "backfill" salary payments (costs of overtime to temporarily backfill the shift of a training attendee)	\$8.0	_
Increase number of reimbursable hours and reimbursement rates for regular basic academy courses	7.5	-
Reinstate reimbursement plans for certain classes and implement new reimbursement plans	7.0	-
Increase in stipends for increased "behind the wheel" emergency vehicle operations instruction	2.0	-
Local assistance and reimbursement funding allocation as determined by POST		\$20.0
Subtotals	(\$24.5)	(\$20.0)
Totals	\$34.9	\$34.9