

FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0105

Title: Partial payment of salary for injured deputy sheriff

Primary Sponsor: Parker, J

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor signature	Date	David Ewer, Budget Director	Date
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Fiscal Summary

	<u>FY 2006</u>	<u>FY 2007</u>
	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Expenditures:		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0
Federal Special Revenue	\$0	\$0
Other	\$0	\$0
Revenue:		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0
Federal Special Revenue	\$0	\$0
Other	\$0	\$0
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	\$0	\$0

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov. Impact
<input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget
<input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns
<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts
<input type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 |
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Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. There will be some deputy sheriff's injured at work.
2. This will increase the worker's compensation costs due to increasing the amount of time that a deputy sheriff is off work.
3. The amount of time that the deputy sheriff is off work is increased for the benefit of the person's health.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

MACo notes that this bill could have significant impact. Under current law, an employee who is eligible for worker compensation benefits receives 2/3 of their regular gross salary as a worker's compensation benefit. This bill would require the county to pay part of the other 1/3 of the salary which is the remaining portion of the salary that would not have been withheld for income taxes or pension contributions.

As the county pays part of the salary for an off-work deputy sheriff's salary, there will be a variety of options for the county to consider that could impact either revenue or expenditures. Some options could be cutting other county expenditures, not funding replacement personnel to provide law enforcement services for hours the injured employee can not work, or asking for increased property tax to fund the increased salary costs.

If making the take home pay while injured equal to the take home pay while working, has the unintended consequence of extending the benefit period, the bill would increase worker's compensation payments.

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