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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1427 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Police Department Administration.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Speedy BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

X DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill provides that the chief of a city police department or town board of metropolitan police commissioners has the sole authority to make general or special orders to the police department establishing the department's procedures and policies, including use of force policy. It provides that the city or town may not prohibit or restrict a member of the police department from using a force option consistent with the standards and training regarding the lawful use of force adopted by the Law Enforcement Training Board. The bill also provides that the Law Enforcement Training Board may establish standards for training programs that, if not adhered to, constitute grounds for decertifying the program.

Effective Date: July 1, 2021.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill authorizes but does not require the Law Enforcement Training Board (LETB) to adopt standards for training that, if not met, can lead to the decertification of the police force. It also specifies that a local unit may not prohibit law enforcement officers from applying a use of force technique that the LETB has approved. These provisions may result in an increased workload for the LETB as it adopts and refines the processes, policies and standards described in this bill. These requirements are within the routine functions of the LETB and should be able to be implemented within existing resources.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Some departments and local legislative and executive entities will have to change policy-making procedures to comply with the provisions of this bill. Others will have to modify their use of force policies to adhere to LETB standards or else risk decertification. These changes are within each organization's routine administrative functions and should be able to be implemented with

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no additional appropriations, assuming near customary agency staffing and resource levels.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: LETB.

Local Agencies Affected: Legislative bodies, executives, law enforcement agencies.

Information Sources:

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