



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1988

PRINTERS NO. 3592

PRIME SPONSOR: Owlett

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2022/23	FY 2023/24
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1988 amends the Judicial Code (Title 42) and the Municipal Code (Title 53) concerning police officers. It would take effect immediately.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1988 amends Title 53 to provide the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission (MPOETC) the authority to certify Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) campus police officers following the successful completion of police training. To effectuate this change, the bill amends the definitions of "college", "police department", "police officer" and "university" to include PASSHE schools and PASSHE police officers.

The bill also makes changes to Title 53 relating to certification of police officers to provide that in addition to state-related and state-aided universities, PASSHE police officers who have successfully completed MPOETC training and have obtained a psychological examination before the effective date of this legislation will be automatically certified by MPOETC.

Finally, the bill amends the definition of "law enforcement officer" in Title 42 to include members of the Pennsylvania State Police, MPOETC-certified officers, a sheriff, or deputy sheriff.

This legislation will permit school police officers who were previously certified by MPOETC to maintain certification if the officer meets the requirements provided for in the bill.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: October 26, 2022

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.