

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB615

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Stolle

3. Committee: Commerce and Labor

4. Title: **Workers' compensation; Capitol Police.**

5. Summary: Expands the definition of law-enforcement officer to include members of the Capitol Police for the purpose of providing that a claim for workers' compensation benefits incurred by such a person while undertaking a law-enforcement or rescue activity in an off-duty capacity or outside an assigned shift or work location is deemed to be in the course of employment.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate, see item 8 below.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill will have an indeterminate impact on the premiums paid by the Division of Capitol Police on behalf of Capitol police officers. Several factor go into calculating the workers compensation premiums for state agencies. These factor include the payroll amount being covered, the risk of the positions being covered, and the loss experience of the agency. By increasing the number of situations that are applicable to the state's workers compensation coverage, this bill increases the potential risk of the Capitol police officer pool and thus, the premium for this coverage will most likely increase in the future. This bill also increases the likelihood of loss experience which will create an added potential for future increases.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Division of Capitol Police

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: N/A

11. Other Comments: N/A

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