

Department of Planning and Budget

2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB595

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: BaCote

3. Committee: House Committee for Courts of Justice

4. Title: Department of Criminal Justice Services; human trafficking policy.

5. Summary: Requires the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to establish compulsory training standards and publish and disseminate a model policy or guideline for law enforcement personnel involved in criminal investigations or assigned to vehicle or street patrol duties to ensure that law enforcement personnel are sensitive to and aware of human trafficking offenses and the identification of victims of human trafficking offenses.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 386

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2015	\$87,000	1	General Fund
2016	\$77,000	1	General Fund
2017	\$77,000	1	General Fund
2018	\$77,000	1	General Fund
2019	\$77,000	1	General Fund
2020	\$77,000	1	General Fund

8. Fiscal Implications: According to DCJS, one position and associated funding would be necessary to implement the provisions of this legislation.

The proposed legislation would likely require a job task analysis to determine training standards and model policy for law enforcement officers to carry out human trafficking investigations. The training standards that are developed would have to go through the Administrative Process Act (APA) which takes approximately 18 months to complete. Once developed, the training standards and model policy would need to be updated periodically and training would need to be provided to law enforcement personnel. Training could possibly be implemented using a “train the trainer” model; however, more involved training could also be necessary. The first year cost includes funding to conduct meetings, hearings and information gathering necessary to establish the minimum training standards.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: DCJS

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: It is likely that other public safety partners (such as victim advocates) would have an interest in this policy and receiving the training.

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