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TO: Honorable James White, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB4299 by Dean (Relating to a study by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement on mental health services provided to peace officers in this state.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB4299, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$121,008) through the biennium ending August 31, 2023.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five- Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds</i>
2022	(\$92,372)
2023	(\$28,636)
2024	\$0
2025	\$0
2026	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Probable Savings/(Cost) from General Revenue Fund</i>	<i>Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2021</i>
2022	(\$92,372)	1.0
2023	(\$28,636)	0.3
2024		
2025		
2026		

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Occupations Code to require the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) to study the provision, availability, and accessibility of mental health services for peace officers and submit a report to the Legislature not later than December 1, 2022.

Methodology

Based upon the information provided by TCOLE, it is assumed it would require 1.0 Researcher/Writer in fiscal year 2022 to receive and analyze data, as well as research funding opportunities under the provisions of the bill.

The estimated cost for the additional FTE would be \$84,312 in fiscal year 2022, which includes salary, benefits, rent, and travel. Additionally, it would cost \$28,104 in fiscal year 2023 to continue the FTE until Section 1701.165 expires on January 1, 2023.

This analysis assumes the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant impact on state correctional populations or on the demand for state correctional resources.

Technology

Based upon the information provided by TCOLE, it is estimated that the cost for IT equipment and maintenance would cost \$8,060 in fiscal year 2022 and \$499 in fiscal year 2023.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 407 Law Enforcement

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