

SENATE AMENDMENTS
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By: Hefner

H.B. No. 4264

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to creation of a grant program for certain peace officers
who hold a master proficiency certificate.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 772, Government Code, is
amended by adding Section 772.013 to read as follows:

Sec. 772.013. GRANT PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN PEACE OFFICERS WITH
MASTER PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATE. (a) In this section:

(1) "Criminal justice division" means the criminal
justice division established under Section 772.006.

(2) "Law enforcement agency" means an agency of this
state or an agency of a political subdivision of this state
authorized by law to employ peace officers.

(3) "Peace officer" means a person elected, employed,
or appointed as a peace officer under Article 2A.001, Code of
Criminal Procedure, or other law.

(b) The criminal justice division shall establish a grant
program for the public purpose of fostering the professional
development of peace officers employed in this state.

(c) To be eligible for a grant under this section, a person
must:

(1) hold a master proficiency certificate issued by
the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement under Section 1701.402,
Occupations Code;

1 (2) be employed on a full-time basis as a peace officer
2 by a law enforcement agency; and

3 (3) meet any other eligibility criteria established by
4 the criminal justice division.

5 (d) Only the following persons may apply for a grant under
6 this section:

7 (1) a law enforcement agency on behalf of an employee
8 of the agency who meets the eligibility criteria for a grant under
9 this section; or

10 (2) a person who meets the eligibility criteria for a
11 grant under this section with the consent of the person's employing
12 law enforcement agency.

13 (e) The criminal justice division shall award a grant under
14 this section to a law enforcement agency. The law enforcement
15 agency shall use the money only to increase the compensation of the
16 employee who applied for the grant or for whom the agency applied
17 for the grant.

18 (f) The criminal justice division shall establish
19 procedures for:

20 (1) processing grant applications in addition to any
21 other application procedures prescribed by this section;

22 (2) evaluating grant applications; and

23 (3) monitoring the use of a grant awarded under the
24 program and ensuring compliance with any condition of a grant.

25 (g) Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, the
26 criminal justice division shall award grants under this section in
27 an amount equal to \$6,500 for each award. The criminal justice

1 division may increase the amount of an award in a state fiscal year
2 after the state fiscal year in which the program was established to
3 an amount the value of which is equal to the value of the grant in
4 the previous fiscal year after adjustment for inflation, as
5 calculated by the criminal justice division.

6 (h) The criminal justice division may use any money
7 available for purposes of this section.

8 (i) A grant awarded under this section may not be awarded to
9 the same person more than one time.

10 SECTION 2. The criminal justice division established under
11 Section 772.006, Government Code, may award a grant under Section
12 772.013, Government Code, as added by this Act, only with respect to
13 a master proficiency certificate issued under Section 1701.402,
14 Occupations Code, on or after the effective date of this Act.

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

ADOPTED

MAY 26 2025

Lately Law
Secretary of the Senate

By: Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy"

H.B. No. 4264

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4264:

By: J-J. Hinojosa

C.S. H.B. No. 4264

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(2) "Law enforcement agency" means an agency of this state or an agency of a political subdivision of this state authorized by law to employ peace officers.

(3) "Peace officer" means a person elected, employed, or appointed as a peace officer under Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure, or other law.

(b) From money appropriated specifically for that purpose, the criminal justice division may establish a grant program for the public purpose of fostering the professional development of peace officers employed in this state.

(c) To be eligible for a grant under this section, a person must:

(1) hold a master proficiency certificate issued by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement under Section 1701.402,

1 Occupations Code;

2 (2) be employed on a full-time basis as a peace officer
3 by a law enforcement agency; and

4 (3) meet any other eligibility criteria established by
5 the criminal justice division.

6 (d) Only the following persons may apply for a grant under
7 this section:

8 (1) a law enforcement agency on behalf of an employee
9 of the agency who meets the eligibility criteria for a grant under
10 this section; or

11 (2) a person who meets the eligibility criteria for a
12 grant under this section with the consent of the person's employing
13 law enforcement agency.

14 (e) The criminal justice division may award a grant under
15 this section only to a law enforcement agency. The law enforcement
16 agency may use the money only to increase the compensation of the
17 employee who applied for the grant or for whom the agency applied
18 for the grant.

19 (f) If the grant program is established under Subsection
20 (b), the criminal justice division shall establish procedures for:

21 (1) processing grant applications in addition to any
22 other application procedures prescribed by this section;

23 (2) evaluating grant applications; and

24 (3) monitoring the use of a grant awarded under the
25 program and ensuring compliance with any condition of a grant.

26 (g) The criminal justice division shall award grants under
27 this section in an amount equal to \$6,500 for each award.

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 27, 2025

TO: Honorable Dustin Burrows, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB4264 by Hefner (Relating to creation of a grant program for certain peace officers who hold a master proficiency certificate.), **As Passed 2nd House**

The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined at this time. There would be an indeterminate cost related to the grant program authorized by the bill which would be dependent on the number of grant applications and appropriations made for this purpose.

The bill would establish a grant program for certain peace officers in Texas. The Criminal Justice Division within the Office of the Governor (OOG) would manage the program. The bill would require the program to award \$6,500 per award to be used for officer compensation. After the fiscal year in which the program is established, the bill would allow the OOG to increase the amount of an award to adjust for inflation, as calculated by the OOG. The bill would not allow a grant awarded to the same person more than one time.

It is assumed that any costs associated with the administration of the program could be absorbed using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 300 Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor, 405 Department of Public Safety

LBB Staff: JMc, SD, KK, LCO, KCu, MGol, NV

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

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FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 23, 2025

TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on Finance

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB4264 by Hefner (relating to creation of a grant program for certain peace officers who hold a master proficiency certificate.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

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FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 8, 2025

TO: Honorable Cole Hefner, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security, Public Safety & Veterans' Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB4264 by Hefner (Relating to creation of a grant program for certain peace officers who hold a master proficiency certificate.), **As Introduced**

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