

**Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: HB273

Patron: Helmer

Bill Title: Law-enforcement officers; duty to render aid upon danger to life or limb; civil immunity.

Bill Summary: Provides that a law-enforcement officer, while engaged in the performance of his duties, has a duty to render aid to any person that he observes suffering from serious bodily injury or life-threatening condition as circumstances objectively permit. The bill also immunizes a law-enforcement officer from civil liability for any acts or omissions that are not due to gross negligence or willful misconduct resulting from the rendering of such aid. The bill directs the Department of Criminal Justice Services to adopt regulations to provide law-enforcement officers with basic medical training, including emergency first aid training.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: N/A

Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: The proposed legislation is not expected to have a material fiscal impact on state agencies.

Fiscal Analysis: According to the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) and the Department of State Police (VSP), the proposed legislation is not expected to have a material fiscal impact on agency operations.

Other: None