



**Department of Planning and Budget**  
**2026 General Assembly Session**  
**State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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**Fiscal Analysis:** The Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) anticipates the need for one position to serve as Criminal Justice Analyst to develop and maintain the new model policy. The use of unmanned aircraft by law enforcement and other first responders is an evolving technology and there are no current DCJS staff with expertise in this technology. This position would be responsible for developing, maintaining, and updating the model policy in conjunction with subject matter experts in the law enforcement and unmanned aircraft communities. The position will have an annual salary of \$80,000 GF plus \$45,124 in fringe benefits for a total ongoing personnel cost of \$125,124.

**Other:** This bill is similar to HB1219H1.