



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

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DCJS originally indicated that the agency has the subject matter expertise and staffing to develop the new training course by July 1, 2027. However, this substitute shortens the timeline from one year to six months, which impacts the agency's ability to meet the requirement. The agency also anticipates the need to absorb additional workload from other proposed bills with new model policy and/or training requirements, further straining current staff.

According to DCJS, it typically takes roughly one year to develop a new curriculum and training course. Therefore, in order for DCJS to complete the new training certificate course outlined in the bill within the six-month timeframe, the agency expects that it will have to hire an outside consultant. The expedited nature of the contract will also translate to a higher-than-normal cost.

According to the Department of State Police (VSP), the proposed legislation is not expected to have a material fiscal impact on agency operations.

**Other:** None