

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: HB 1637

SHORT TITLE: Additional State Troopers

SPONSOR(S): Representative Robert J. Hensley, Jr.

FISCAL IMPACT: Expenditures: Increase (x) Decrease ()
 Revenues: Increase () Decrease ()
 No Impact ()
 No Estimate Available ()

FUNDS AFFECTED: General Fund () Highway Fund (x) Local Fund ()
 Other Funds ()

BILL SUMMARY: Provides funding of \$27,352,350 for additional 450 State Troopers.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 1994

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S)/PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED:

	FISCAL IMPACT			
	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
1998-99	FY	FY	FY	FY
EXPENDITURES	\$12,542,888	\$20,987,931	\$22,837,515	\$21,842,856
RECURRING	8,329,888	16,774,931	18,984,265	19,042,856
NON-RECURRING	4,213,000	4,213,000	3,853,250	2,800,000
3,500,000				
REVENUES/RECEIPTS	0	0	0	0
0				
RECURRING				
NON-RECURRING				
POSITIONS:	200	400	450	450
450				

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

1. Assumes 3 year phase-in of 450 positions; Highway Patrol advised the House Justice and Public Safety Subcommittee on Appropriations that no more than 200 troopers can be recruited, hired, trained and put on the road in one fiscal year.
2. Non-recurring funding in "Fiscal Impact" table assumes replacement of automobiles every 2 years.

3. Funding outlined in "Fiscal Impact" table for 450 positions includes cost of funding 94 master sergeants. Typically, the Highway Patrol uses salary reserve created by retirement of state troopers to fund the cost difference between a trooper's salary and a sergeant's salary. This cost was not considered in the bill. The 94 supervisory positions would be created through reallocation of trooper positions to sergeants. The cost of reallocating positions is listed below and included in the "Fiscal Impact" table.

	<u>94-95</u>	<u>95-96</u>	<u>96-97</u>	<u>97-98</u>	<u>99-00</u>
Recurring \$532,416	\$237,888	\$475,776	\$532,416	\$532,416	
Non-Recurring	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

SOURCES OF DATA: Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, State Highway Patrol; Crime Control Fiscal Staff.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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