

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 887-02
Bill No.: Perfected SB 224
Subject: Counties: Law Enforcement District
Type: Original
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Public Safety** assume there would be no fiscal impact to their department.

Camden County officials assume this proposal would require a citizens petition to create and , therefore, there would be no fiscal impact. Should a district be established officials assume there would be income from a property tax and costs from providing law enforcement projects.

Oversight assumes this proposal is permissive and would require voter petition, and approval before fiscal impact would be realized. The district if established would have income from property taxes, which could not exceed 6 cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation, and the district would have costs related to providing projects for law enforcement. Oversight assumes that annual costs would not exceed revenues resulting in either an annual positive fund balance, or an annual zero fiscal impact. For purposes of this fiscal note Oversight will show fiscal impact as \$0.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	\$0	\$0	\$0

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small business located within the boundaries of a law enforcement district would realize the cost of paying an additional property tax.

DESCRIPTION

This act authorizes the creation of law enforcement districts in Camden County to fund, promote and operate projects relating to law enforcement. Ten percent of the registered voters in a district may file a petition in circuit court requesting the creation of a district. The act sets forth the requirements and court procedure regarding the petition. A Board of Directors consisting of five elected members would govern each law enforcement district. A district may impose a property tax if approved by voters. The act outlines the legal powers of a law enforcement district, including the powers to contract, borrow money and coordinate efforts with state and local agencies.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Public Safety
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