



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

SB4155

Introduced 2/9/2022, by Sen. Chapin Rose

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act
30 ILCS 105/5.970 new

Creates the Fund the Police Act. Contains findings. Creates the Fund the Police Grant Fund and provides that moneys the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board receives from the fund must be used for the purpose of make grants to units of local government for the purposes of: (1) hiring, rehiring, and retention of law enforcement officers, including hiring and retention incentives and overtime; (2) funding body camera mandates, including, but not limited to, the purchase, storage, and other necessary expenses for running local body camera programs, and purchasing law enforcement equipment designed to keep officers and their communities safe; (3) funding additional law enforcement training, including funding for Mobile Team In-Service Training Units throughout the State; (4) assisting with outreach and community policing activities; and (5) assisting with mental health treatment for individuals in county jails. Provides that the Board may set rules relating to requirements for the distribution of grant moneys and determine which law enforcement agencies are eligible and shall consider compliance with the Uniform Crime Reporting Act as a factor in awarding grant moneys. Provides that moneys in the Fund the Police Grant Fund may not be appropriated, assigned, or transferred to another State fund. Provides for a continuing appropriation at the beginning of each fiscal year of \$125,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Fund the Police Grant Fund. Amends the State Finance Act by making conforming changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Fund
5 the Police Act.

6 Section 5. Findings. The General Assembly finds that:

7 (1) Illinois communities, large and small, have
8 recently experienced spikes in violence and theft
9 resulting in loss of life, loss of property, and a
10 diminished sense of security for the people of Illinois.

11 (2) Senseless violence has snuffed out the lives of
12 men, women, and children from all walks of life and
13 backgrounds and has caused irreversible harm to businesses
14 of all sizes across the State.

15 (3) Chicago alone recorded more than 4,000 shootings
16 and 800 homicides in 2021. The homicide rate reflects a
17 level not seen in decades.

18 (4) Cook County, likewise, experienced nearly 1,100
19 homicides in 2021, the highest level of homicides in Cook
20 County since 1994.

21 (5) Other cities, such as Peoria and Champaign, also
22 broke homicide records in 2021, with Champaign's homicide
23 rate jumping 60% in a single year. Peoria and Chicago were

1 ranked as two of the most dangerous cities in the United
2 States.

3 (6) Similarly, between 2018 and 2020, aggravated
4 assaults across the State jumped 14%.

5 (7) Some property crimes also skyrocketed. Since 2019,
6 carjackings have tripled in Cook County. Organized retail
7 crime, a now-multi-billion-dollar racket, has ravaged
8 countless businesses in Chicago and the suburbs.

9 Section 10. Definition. As used in this Act, "Board" means
10 the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board.

11 Section 15. Fund the Police Grant Fund; creation.

12 (a) The Fund the Police Grant Fund is created as a special
13 fund in the State treasury. From appropriations to the Board
14 from the Fund, the Board must make grants to units of local
15 government for the purposes of:

16 (1) hiring, rehiring, and retention of law enforcement
17 officers, including hiring and retention incentives and
18 overtime;

19 (2) funding body camera mandates, including, but not
20 limited to, the purchase, storage, and other necessary
21 expenses for running local body camera programs, and
22 purchasing law enforcement equipment designed to keep
23 officers and their communities safe;

24 (3) funding additional law enforcement training,

1 including funding for Mobile Team In-Service Training
2 Units throughout the State;

3 (4) assisting with outreach and community policing
4 activities; and

5 (5) assisting with mental health treatment for
6 individuals in county jails.

7 Moneys received for the purposes of this Section,
8 including, but not limited to, fee receipts, gifts, grants,
9 and awards from any public or private entity, must be
10 deposited into the Fund. Any interest earned on moneys in the
11 Fund must be deposited into the Fund.

12 (b) The Board may by rule set requirements for the
13 distribution of grant moneys and determine which law
14 enforcement agencies are eligible.

15 (c) The Board shall consider compliance with the Uniform
16 Crime Reporting Act as a factor in awarding grant moneys.

17 Section 20. No fund sweep; transfer.

18 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, moneys in
19 the Fund the Police Grant Fund may not be appropriated,
20 assigned, or transferred to another State fund.

21 (b) At the beginning of each fiscal year, the State
22 Comptroller shall direct and the State Treasurer shall
23 transfer the sum of \$125,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund
24 to the Fund the Police Grant Fund.

25 (c) The Governor shall submit to the General Assembly a

1 proposed budget in which the Governor shall specify the total
2 amount of funds to be transferred from the General Revenue
3 Fund to the Fund the Police Grant Fund during the budget year,
4 which shall be no less than the total amount transferred
5 during the previous fiscal year. The Governor may submit a
6 proposed budget in which the total appropriated and
7 transferred amounts are less than the previous fiscal year if
8 the Governor declares in writing to the General Assembly the
9 reason for the lesser amounts.

10 The General Assembly shall legislatively transfer from the
11 General Revenue Fund to the Fund the Police Grant Fund for the
12 fiscal year a total amount that is no less than the total
13 amount transferred for the previous fiscal year. The General
14 Assembly may appropriate or transfer lesser amounts if it
15 declares by Joint Resolution the reason for the lesser
16 amounts.

17 Section 90. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
18 Section 5.970 as follows:

19 (30 ILCS 105/5.970 new)

20 Sec. 5.970. The Fund the Police Grant Fund.