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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 01/29/13

SPONSOR Morales LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Protective Vests For Police Dogs SB 141

ANALYST Trowbridge

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY13	FY14	FY15	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	N/A	N/A	N/A

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

Department of Public Safety (DPS)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 141 expands the authorized uses of the Law Enforcement Protection Fund to include the purchase of protective vests and other law enforcement equipment for police dogs.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) indicates that the purchase of protective vests for police dogs from the Law Enforcement Protection Fund could mean that other items will not be purchased. The Law Enforcement Protection Funds are restricted to only local enforcement agencies; the Department of Public Safety is considered a state agency.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) notes that it is responsible for maintaining the Peace Officers' Survivors Fund. The bill will provide a minimum balance of \$350,000 in the fund which will enable DPS to make one (1) survivor payment of \$250,000 before requesting replenishment from the Law Enforcement Protection Fund.