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Honorable Imani Barnes  
State Representative  
507-B Coverdell Legislative Office Building  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note  
House Bill (LC 52 0599)

Dear Representative Barnes:

The bill would establish basic and in-service training courses for all peace officer training on behavioral and mental health issues and crisis intervention techniques.

The Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council (POST) has existing training that addresses behavioral health issues and crisis intervention techniques in its basic curriculum. In consultation with the Georgia Public Safety Training Center, POST indicated that it could develop and implement annual in-service training on these topics using existing resources. Annual training delivered virtually and included as part of the 20 hours of training peace officers must complete each year would result in no additional costs for state law enforcement agencies that provide training to their officers.

Respectfully,

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Richard Dunn, Director  
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