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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
132ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 465, L.D. 726, “An Act to Protect Municipalities’ Investment in Law Enforcement Officers”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

‘Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2808, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2023, c. 242, §1, is further amended to read:

3. Reimbursement for training costs. Whenever a full-time law enforcement officer, trained at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy or the Indian police academy at the federal law enforcement training center at the expense of a particular governmental entity, is subsequently hired by another governmental entity as a full-time law enforcement officer within 5 years of graduation from the academy, the governmental entity shall reimburse the first governmental entity for the training costs according to the following formula, unless a mutual agreement is reached.

A. If the officer is hired by the other governmental entity during the first ~~year~~ 2 years after graduation, that governmental entity shall reimburse the first governmental entity the full cost of the training costs.

~~B. If the officer is hired by the other governmental entity during the 2nd year after graduation, that governmental entity shall reimburse the first governmental entity 80% of the training costs.~~

C. If the officer is hired by the other governmental entity during the 3rd year after graduation, that governmental entity shall reimburse the first governmental entity ~~60%~~ 80% of the training costs.

D. If the officer is hired by the other governmental entity during the 4th year after graduation, that governmental entity shall reimburse the first governmental entity ~~40%~~ 60% of the training costs.

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1 E. If the officer is hired by the other governmental entity during the 5th year after
2 graduation, that governmental entity shall reimburse the first governmental entity 20%
3 40% of the training costs.

4 F. If the officer graduated more than 5 years before subsequently being hired by the
5 other governmental entity, that governmental entity is not obligated to reimburse the
6 first governmental entity.

7 If the officer is subsequently hired by additional governmental entities within 5 years of
8 graduation from the academy, each of those governmental entities is liable to the
9 governmental employer immediately preceding it for the training costs paid by that
10 governmental entity under this subsection. The extent of financial liability must be
11 determined according to the formula established by this subsection.

12 The board shall, as necessary, incorporate the Indian police academy at the federal law
13 enforcement training center into its basic law enforcement training program reimbursement
14 rates.

15 **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
16 allocations are made.

17 **PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF**

18 **State Police 0291**

19 Initiative: Provides funding to reimburse municipalities training costs when hiring
20 municipal police officers.

21	GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
22	All Other	\$64,740	\$64,740
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24	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$64,740	\$64,740

26	HIGHWAY FUND	2025-26	2026-27
27	All Other	\$34,860	\$34,860
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29	HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	\$34,860	\$34,860

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31 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
32 number to read consecutively.

33 **SUMMARY**

34 This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the bill and
35 decreases the reimbursement rates in the bill for hiring a law enforcement officer from
36 another governmental entity.

37 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

38 **(See attached)**