

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY STATE FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT  
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION  
2017 REGULAR SESSION**

**MEASURE**

2017 BR NUMBER **300**

**HOUSE** BILL NUMBER **60**

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDMENT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT/TITLE** **An ACT relating to supplements paid to police officers, professional firefighters, and qualified volunteer fire departments, declaring an emergency, and making an appropriation therefor.**

**SPONSOR** **Representative Meredith**

**NOTE SUMMARY**

FISCAL ANALYSIS:  IMPACT     NO IMPACT     INDETERMINABLE IMPACT

LEVEL(S) OF IMPACT:  STATE     LOCAL     FEDERAL

BUDGET UNIT(S) IMPACT: \_\_\_\_\_

FUND(S) IMPACT:  GENERAL  ROAD  FEDERAL  RESTRICTED AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_  OTHER

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

| FISCAL ESTIMATES | 2016-2017 | 2017-2018 | ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| REVENUES         |           |           |                                      |
| EXPENDITURES     |           |           |                                      |
| NET EFFECT       |           |           |                                      |

( ) indicates a decrease/negative

**MEASURE'S PURPOSE:** This legislation will increase the stipend offered to law enforcement and firefighters from \$3,000 to \$4,000 per year and the amount offered to volunteer fire departments from \$8,250 to \$11,000 per year beginning July 1, 2017.

**PROVISIONS/MECHANICS:** Sections 1 and 2 amend KRS 15.460 and 95A.250 to increase the stipend amount awarded to local government personnel and professional firefighters from \$3,000 to \$4,000 beginning July 1, 2017. Section 3 amends KRS 95A.262 to increase from \$8,250 to \$11,000 starting July 1, 2017, the amount of allotment appropriated for volunteer fire departments. These funds originate from the Kentucky Firefighters Foundation Program Fund (KFFPF) and the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund (KLEFPF).

**FISCAL EXPLANATION:** HB 303 2016 RS provided the \$4,000 stipend to eligible KLEFPF and KFFPF participants via budget language for FYs 2017 and 2018. This represents a \$900 annual increase per participant above the FY 2016 budgeted amount.

In addition, HB 303 2016 RS, the Executive Branch Budget, increases the amount available to qualified volunteer fire departments from \$8,250 to \$11,000. Therefore, if this legislation is enacted, there will be no change in expenditures for the local law enforcement personnel or the Commission on Fire Protection, Personnel, Standards, and Education from the amounts in HB 303 for FYs 2017 and 2018, assuming that the total number of participants remains the same.

Any potential future impact is contingent on the number of overall KLEFPF and KFFPF stipend recipients and associated fringe benefit costs.

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