

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION
2021 REGULAR SESSION**

MEASURE

2021 BR NUMBER 117

HOUSE BILL NUMBER 44/HCS1

TITLE AN ACT relating to mental health and making an appropriation therefor.

SPONSOR Representative Kim Banta

FISCAL SUMMARY

STATE FISCAL IMPACT: YES NO UNCERTAIN

OTHER FISCAL STATEMENT(S) THAT MAY APPLY: ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS
 LOCAL MANDATE CORRECTIONS IMPACT HEALTH BENEFIT MANDATE

APPROPRIATION UNIT(S) IMPACTED: _____

FUND(S) IMPACTED: GENERAL ROAD FEDERAL RESTRICTED _____

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2020-2021	2021-2022	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES			
EXPENDITURES			
NET EFFECT			

() indicates a decrease/negative

PURPOSE OF MEASURE: The bill would create a Crisis Intervention Team training program for firefighters and would dedicate \$1.25 million to a program for firefighters diagnosed with post-traumatic stress and/or post traumatic injury disorders by a psychiatrist, psychologist, or professional counselor credentialed by the Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional Counselors.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: The Cabinet for Health and Family Services states that the requirements in Section 1 to modify the training curriculum and train the Crisis Intervention Team training instructors would have no fiscal impact on the Cabinet. Section 1 of the bill would result in no fiscal impact on the Fire Commission or the Firefighters Foundation Program Fund because it would not require all firefighters to take the new Crisis Intervention Team training program, but would add the Crisis Intervention Team training program to the menu of training options that firefighters can choose from in order to complete their training requirements.

Section 2 of the bill would codify an existing program, and thus would result in no fiscal impact on the Fire Commission. The current budget (20 RS HB 352) already includes the \$1.25 million Restricted Funds for firefighters affected by post-traumatic stress and post traumatic injury disorders.

DATA SOURCE(S): Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Kentucky Fire Commission

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