Local Government Mandate Statement Kentucky Legislative Research Commission 2023 Regular Session

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 257					
Bill #: HB 207 As Introduced					
Document ID #:					
Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT relating to internal police communications.					
Sponsor: Representative Kevin D. Bratcher					
Unit of Gove		City Charter County		-	X Urban-County Unified Local X Government
Office(s) Impacted: Law enforcement agencies					
Requirement: Mandatory _X_ Optional					
Effect on Powers & Du	ities: X Mo	odifies Existing	X Add	ls New Eli	iminates Existing

Part II: Bill Provisions and the Estimated Fiscal Impact Relating to Local Government

HB 207 creates a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to allow law enforcement agencies to create their own wellness programs, which may include but are not limited to early intervention system, access to mental health counseling, crisis counseling, support systems, training, equipment, and technology necessary for an employee to perform his or her job; establish that all records of a wellness program are privileged and not subject to subpoena; amend KRS 61.878 to make confidentially maintained wellness program records not subject to an open records request.

LRC staff has not yet heard back from the Kentucky Sheriffs' Association about their thoughts on the potential fiscal impact of this legislation. This form will be updated as needed.

The fiscal impact of HB 207 on local governments is indeterminable, but expected to be minimal.

For law enforcement agencies that choose to implement a wellness program, there will be some initial administrative costs to establishing new policies and procedures. Other expenses will depend on the types of services offered and how those services will be rendered.

Part III: Differences to Local Government Mandate Statement from Prior Versions

The analysis presented above in Part II is based on HB 207 as introduced.

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