

ITEM 14
DRAFT STAFF ANALYSIS
STATEWIDE COST ESTIMATE

Penal Code Section 13519.4

Statutes 2000, Chapter 684

Racial Profiling: Law Enforcement Training
01-TC-01

County of Sacramento, Claimant

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed statewide cost estimate includes five fiscal years for a total of **\$9,175,357** for the *Racial Profiling: Law Enforcement Training* program. Following is a breakdown of estimated total costs per fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	Number of Claims Filed with SCO	Estimated Cost
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TOTAL	187	9,175,357

Summary of the Mandate

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The Commission on State Mandates (Commission) adopted the Statement of Decision for the *Racial Profiling: Law Enforcement Training* program (01-TC-01). The Commission found that the test claim statute constitutes a new program or higher level of service and imposes a state-mandated program on local agencies within the meaning of article XIII B, section 6, of the California Constitution and Government Code section 17514 for *up to five hours* of initial racial profiling training for incumbent law enforcement officers under certain conditions.

Statewide Cost Estimate

Staff reviewed the claims data submitted by 100 cities and 18 counties and compiled by the SCO. The actual claims data showed that 187 claims were filed between fiscal years 2000-2001 and 2004-2005 for a total of \$9,175,357. Based on this data, staff made the following assumptions and used the following methodology to develop a statewide cost estimate for this program.

Assumptions

1. *The actual amount claimed for reimbursement may increase if late or amended claims are filed.*
2. *Non-claiming local agencies did not file claims because: (1) they did not incur more than \$1000 in increased costs for this program; (2) did not have supporting documentation to file a reimbursement claim; or (3) did not complete the training within the prescribed time period.*
3. *Claimants will not need to train new peace officers employed after January 1, 2004, under this program, because racial profiling training was included as part of their basic training on that date.*
4. *There is a wide variation in costs among claimants.*
5. *Because of the wide variation in costs claimed, an SCO audit of this program may be conducted.*
6. *The total amount of reimbursement for this program may be lower than the statewide cost estimate, because the SCO may reduce any reimbursement claim for this program.*

Methodology

Fiscal Years 2000-2001 through 2004-2005

The proposed statewide cost estimate for fiscal years 2000-2001 through 2004-2005 was developed by totaling the 187 unaudited actual reimbursement claims filed with the SCO for these years.

No projections for future fiscal years were included because most reimbursement claims for this program were filed between 2000-2001 and 2004-2005.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Commission adopt the proposed statewide cost estimate of **\$9,175,357** for costs incurred in complying with the *Racial Profiling: Law Enforcement Training* program.

STAFF ANALYSIS

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The Commission further found that Penal Code section 13519.5, subdivision (i), which requires the two-hour refresher racial profiling training, does not impose a reimbursable state-mandated program on local agencies within the meaning of article XIII B, section 6 of the California Constitution and Government Code section 17514, because it does not impose “costs mandated by the state.”

The claimant filed the test claim on August 13, 2001. The Commission adopted a Statement of Decision on October 26, 2006 and the parameters and guidelines on March 28, 2008. Eligible claimants were required to file initial reimbursement claims with the State Controller’s Office (SCO) by October 1, 2008, and late claims by October 1, 2009.

Reimbursable Activities

The Commission approved reimbursement for *up to five hours* of initial racial profiling training for incumbent law enforcement officers under the following conditions.

1. the training is provided to incumbent law enforcement officers who completed basic training on or before January 1, 2004;
2. the training is certified by POST;
3. the training is attended during the officer’s regular work hours, or training is attended outside the officer’s regular work hours *and* there is an obligation imposed by an MOU existing on January 1, 2001, which requires that the local agency pay for continuing education training; and
4. the training causes the officer to exceed his or her 24-hour continuing education requirement, when the two-year continuing education cycle that included the initial five-hour racial profiling training occurs between January 1, 2002 and July 2004, and the continuing education for that cycle was attended *prior to* the initial racial profiling course.

Statewide Cost Estimate

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¹ Claims data reported as of December 8, 2008.

Assumptions

1. *The actual amount claimed for reimbursement may increase if late or amended claims are filed.*

There are 480 cities and 58 counties in California. Of those, only 118 filed reimbursement claims for this program. If other eligible claimants file reimbursement claims or late or amended claims are filed, the amount of reimbursement claims may exceed the statewide cost estimate.

However, under this program, reimbursement is only authorized for training incumbent peace officers who completed the training between 2002 and 2004. No reimbursement claims have been filed for any fiscal years after 2004-2005. Therefore, it is unlikely that further claims will be filed.

2. *Non-claiming local agencies did not file claims because: (1) they did not incur more than \$1000 in increased costs for this program; (2) did not have supporting documentation to file a reimbursement claim; or (3) did not complete the training within the prescribed time period.*

This program limits reimbursement for incumbent peace officers who complete basic training prior to 2004, and who complete their 24-hour education requirements including racial profiling training, between 2002 and 2004. Therefore, while many local agencies may have provided racial profile training to all of their peace officers, only a limited number of local agencies met these narrow criteria and were eligible for reimbursement for a select number of peace officers.

3. *Claimants will not need to train new peace officers employed after January 1, 2004 under this program, because racial profiling training was included as part of their basic training on that date.*
4. *There is a wide variation in costs among claimants.*

There is a wide variation in costs among claimants. For example, the City of Fairfield with 127 peace officers claimed approximately \$8,000, while the City of Orange, with 167 peace officers, claimed almost \$60,000. Following is a table showing a sample of claimants and their claimed amounts:

Table 1. COMPARISON OF COSTS CLAIMED

City or County	Number of Peace Officers Employed	Amount of Reimbursement Claim
City of Fairfield	127	\$8,041
City of Orange	162	\$59,928
City of Los Angeles	9,538	\$3,817,668
County of Los Angeles	9,278	\$1,569,364
City of Corona	181	\$9,199
City of Hayward	194	\$41,388
County of Santa Barbara	309	\$59,570
County of San Joaquin	296	\$94,195

The amount claimed for reimbursement varied among claimants with like numbers of peace officers because:

- Claimants had varying numbers of peace officers who completed the training prior to 2004.
 - Claimants had varying numbers of peace officers who completed their continuing education requirements between 2002 and 2004.
 - According to claimant representatives, some claimants chose not to train all peace officers.
5. *Because of the wide variation in costs claimed, an SCO audit of this program may be conducted.*
 6. *The total amount of reimbursement for this program may be lower than the statewide cost estimate, because the SCO may reduce any reimbursement claim for this program.*

If the SCO audits this program and deems any reimbursement claim to be excessive or unreasonable, it may be reduced.

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The proposed statewide cost estimate includes five fiscal years for a total of \$9,175,357. This averages to \$1,835,071 annually in costs for the state for this five-year period. Following is a breakdown of estimated total costs per fiscal year:

TABLE 2. BREAKDOWN OF ESTIMATED TOTAL COSTS PER FISCAL YEAR

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Comments on Draft Staff Analysis

Department of Finance submitted comments on March 10, 2009, concurring with the draft staff analysis.²

² Exhibit A.

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