

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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This ordinance increases the normal and temporary complements of deputy chiefs of police by one. The increases are being made to more equitably spread out the duties of the Deputy Chiefs and prepare younger officers to be mentors in higher ranked positions before the 'DROP' retirement program becomes effective. While a commensurate lower level strength reduction is not being taken, the financial impacts are negligible as pay increases associated with this action will be minimal.

To establish a new authorized strength ordinance for the Division of Police to increase the normal and temporary complements of police deputy chiefs by one; to repeal ordinance 1043-2009; and to declare an emergency. (REPEALED BY ORD. 0229-2010 PASSED 2/8/2010)

WHEREAS, the Division of Police desires to increase the normal and temporary complements of deputy police chiefs by one (1) to more equitably spread out the duties of the Deputy Chiefs and prepare younger officers to be mentors in higher ranked positions before the 'DROP' retirement program becomes effective; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Police in that it is immediately necessary to establish a new authorized strength ordinance to provide for the efficient operation of the city, and for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; Now, Therefore

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

**SECTION 1.** That pursuant to Section 14 of the City Charter, the maximum number of officers and employees authorized to be employed within the various Departments, Boards and Offices of the City and hereby fixed and established as follows:

The foregoing positions authorized include all positions within each department, division, board, office or commission, whether appointed or elected except the members of any board or commission authorized by charter or ordinance.

No Appointing Authority shall appoint full-time or part-time personnel in excess of the maximum permitted by this ordinance unless authorized by ordinance of City Council.

**SECTION 2.** Such of the positions within the Division of Fire as the Director of Public Safety and Fire Chief shall designate, shall be within the uniformed ranks and all other positions therein shall be deemed civilian positions, provided there shall not be in excess of five (5) Fire Assistant Chiefs and there shall not be in excess of four (4) Fire Deputy Chiefs; as a normal complement in excess of thirty-four (34) Fire Battalion Chiefs nor as a temporary complement in excess of thirty-five (35) Fire Battalion Chiefs at any one time; fifty-six (56) Fire Captains nor as a temporary complement in excess of fifty-nine (59) Fire Captains at any one time; one (1) Fire Chief; and one-hundred ninety six (196) Fire Lieutenants. The complements of fire captains and fire lieutenants are intended to be temporary, subject to review and change at any time.

Such of the positions within the Division of Police as the Director of Public Safety and the Police Chief shall designate, shall be within the uniformed ranks and all other positions therein shall be deemed civilian positions, provided there shall not be, as a normal complement, in excess of eighteen (18) Police Commanders nor as a temporary complement in excess of nineteen (19) Police Commanders at any one time; one (1) Police Chief; in excess of, as a normal complement six (6) Police Deputy Chiefs nor as a temporary complement in excess of six (6) Police Deputy Chiefs at any one time; in excess of, as a normal complement, fifty-seven (57) Police Lieutenants nor as a temporary complement; in excess of fifty-nine (59) Police Lieutenants at any one time; in excess of, as a normal complement; two hundred twenty-five (225) Police Sergeants nor as a temporary complement

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in excess of two hundred twenty-nine (229) Police Sergeants at any one time.

**SECTION 3**. That temporary appointments are not subject to the authorized strength ordinance. Additionally, limited appointments made to cover full-time and part-time employees on authorized leave (injury, disability or military leave) are not subject to the authorized strength ordinance.

**SECTION 4**. That Ordinance No. 1043-2009 and all other ordinances relative to the authorization of employees for any department, division, board or commission and all other ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 5**. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same