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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: It is necessary to appropriate \$103,522.00 from the unappropriated balance of the special revenue fund, entitled the Police Continuing Professional Training Fund. This appropriation will be used by the Division of Police for officers to attend training seminars, instructor development and to purchase training supplies.

In 2007, Ohio Senate Bill 281 was signed into law, thereby enacting a mandatory continuing professional training program for Ohio peace officers. These training requirements can be found in the Ohio Revised Code 109.802. Ordinance No. 0087-2008, passed on February 4, 2008, authorized the Public Safety Director to participate in the state-funded continuing professional training reimbursement program. For calendar year 2007, the State mandated all peace officers and troopers to attend or receive 8 hours of in-service training. The Division of Police complied with this mandate and on February 13, 2008, the Division received reimbursement in the amount of \$279,260.00. Reimbursement for 2008 mandated hours amounted to a deposit of \$216,480 in 2009. Reimbursement for 2009 mandated hours amounted to a deposit of \$37,700.00 in 2010. Finally, reimbursement for 2010 mandated hours amounted to a deposit of \$39,965. Due to budget constraints at the State level, this program has ceased, and the funds being appropriated in this legislation are considered carryover from prior years. State law mandates that these funds be kept in a separate account and will be used only to pay the costs of Continuing Professional Training programs.

There is also a need to transfer funds from Fund 223, subfund 065 D.A.R.E. to the Police's Safety Initiative Fund 016. This transfer is necessary because D.A.R.E. no longer exists for the Columbus Division of Police, and the Auditor's Office advised that in order to use these funds, and "close out" this subfund, the funds would need to be transferred and appropriated. Since the original intent of these funds was related to education efforts, the Division's Strategic Response Bureau will use these funds to purchase educational/promotional items needed in its outreach efforts.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE: N/A

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION: Emergency legislation is requested so that the appropriation may be in place to fund immediate training needs for Police officers.

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance authorizes an appropriation of \$103,522.00 in a Special Revenue Fund for continuing education for the Division of Police and authorizes the transfer and appropriation of funds from the Special Purpose Fund into the Safety Initiative Fund in order to close out a legacy subfund.

To authorize the transfer of funds from the Special Purpose Fund to the Safety Initiative Fund; to authorize appropriation in the Special Revenue Fund for continuing professional training for the Division of Police and in the Safety Initiative Fund; and to declare an emergency (\$118,246.94).

WHEREAS, an appropriation is needed to cover costs associated with the Police Continuing Professional Training Fund; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in the Special Revenue Fund; and

WHEREAS, a transfer of funds from the Special Purpose Fund (D.A.R.E.) to the Safety Initiative Fund is needed because the Division of Police no longer has a D.A.R.E. program; and

WHEREAS, these transferred funds into the Safety Initiative Funds need to be appropriated; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate the aforementioned funds for continuing professional education thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; now, therefore

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

SECTION 1. That funds currently in the Special Purpose Fund 223 needs to be transferred to the Safety Initiative Fund as follows:

From:

Div 30-03|Fund 223| Sub Fund 065| OCA # 310128| Amount \$14,724.94

To:

Div 30-03|Fund 016|OCA # 300316| Amount \$14,724.94

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Special Revenue Fund and the Safety Initiative Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said funds from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, the sum of \$118,246.94 is appropriated to the Division of Police, Div. 30-03, as follows:

FUND	OBL LEVEL (1)	OBJ LEVEL (3)	OCA	AMOUNT
299	02	2193	299001	\$ 1,400.00
299	02	2213	299001	38,892.00
299	02	2224	299001	15,965.00
299	02	2290	299001	13,265.00
299	03	3330	299001	16,000.00
299	06	6650	299001	18,000.00
016	02	2290	300316	14,724.94

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon order of the Public Safety Director and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. That all funds necessary to carry out the purpose of these funds in 2013 are hereby deemed appropriated in an amount not to exceed the available cash balance in the funds.

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.