



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY: PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING

EXECUTIVE OFFICES & CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
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BUDGET BRIEF

SUMMARY

The **Peace Officers' Standards and Training (POST)** line Item provides funding for the basic training of all Utah peace officers. To fulfill this responsibility, POST operates and coordinates all basic recruit training programs for prospective law enforcement officers and an in-service training program for existing law enforcement officers.

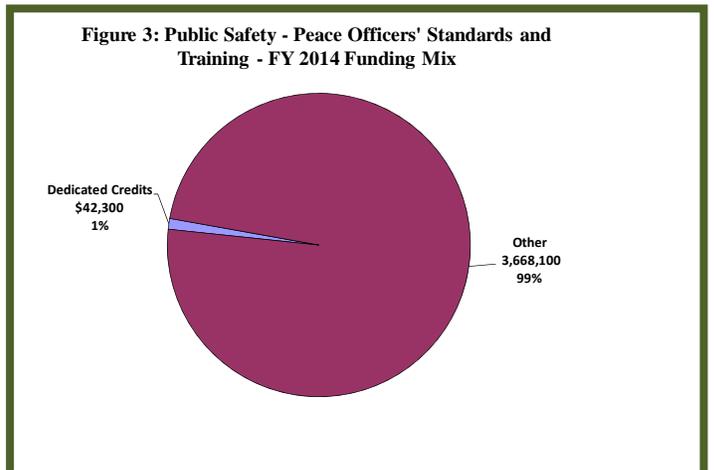
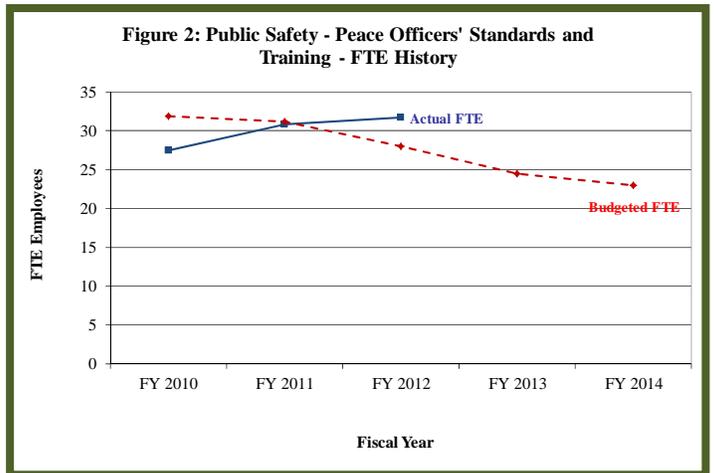
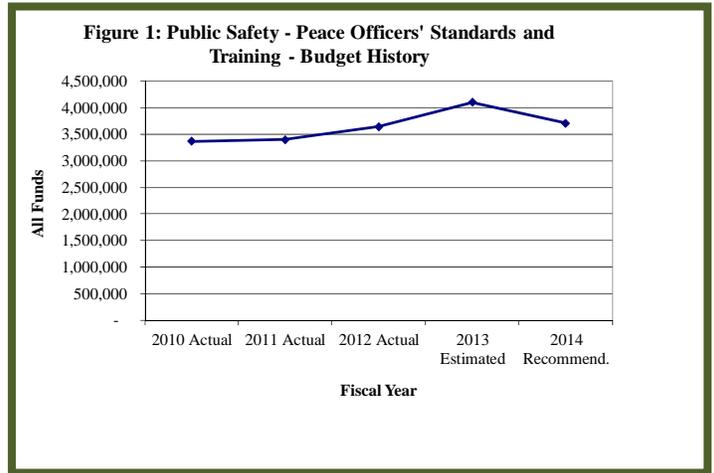
The POST Council, which includes representatives from a broad spectrum of law enforcement interests, also sets the standards for peace officer certification and review.

The restricted funds that support POST training are from the Public Safety Support Fund, which is financed by surcharges on criminal fines. POST was created to ensure uniform and high quality standards and training for Utah law enforcement officers. POST also certifies certain academic and other agencies to provide training under programs reviewed and certified by POST.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Analyst recommends the Legislature:

1. Adopt the recommended budget shown in the budget detail table on page 3.
2. Approve the intent language on page 2.
3. Approve fees on the document titled "Executive Offices and Criminal Justice: Fees".



ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Additional Background

Successful completion of a POST certified basic program is required of all new law enforcement officers in this state. The present facility and staff allow POST to train about 200-250 peace officers in six to eight basic training sessions per year. The full-time staff operates the academy, however, about 40 part-time certified instructors and professionals are utilized to teach the major portion of the various basic training courses.

All Utah Peace Officers are required to complete 40 hours of in-service training annually (UCA 53-6-202). This program provides funding to assist agencies and regions to conduct their own training needs. POST conducts special training classes and provides training programs to regional locations off the Wasatch Front via actual class instruction, multi-media productions and interactive computer training programs. The Regional/In-Service Training program also includes management of the Emergency Vehicle Operations Course and a Firearms Course.

Intent Language

The Analyst recommends the following intent language for FY 2013:

The Legislature intends that up to \$500,000 of the appropriations provided for Peace Officers Standards and Training not lapse at the close of Fiscal Year 2013. The use of any unused funds is limited to computer equipment/software/programming, employee training, and equipment and supplies.

Performance

The Peace Officers' Standards and Training (POST) program measures incidents of misconduct by POST certified officers and strives to ensure that all POST certified officers are trained as required by statute. There are two metrics to measure these activities. They are respectively: (1) POST Council ratification and (2) the officer training hours statute compliance rate. Measurements are included below.

Metric	Metric Definition	Annual Target	Most Recent Value (Q2 2012)	Previous Value (CY 2011)	Previous Value (CY 2010)
POST Council ratification	% of presented cases of law enforcement personnel complaints or misconduct allegations ratified by POST Council	95.0%	95.0%	85.0%	77.0%
Officer training hours statute compliance	% of officers completing 40 hours of annual in-service training	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	99.9%

BUDGET DETAIL

Public Safety - Peace Officers' Standards and Training						
Sources of Finance	FY 2012 Actual	FY 2013 Appropriated	Changes	FY 2013 Revised	Changes	FY 2014* Recommended
Dedicated Credits Revenue	48,100	33,900	0	33,900	8,400	42,300
GFR - Public Safety Support	3,676,100	3,668,100	0	3,668,100	0	3,668,100
Transfers - Within Agency	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beginning Nonlapsing	414,000	0	398,200	398,200	(398,200)	0
Closing Nonlapsing	(398,200)	0	0	0	0	0
Lapsing Balance	(96,500)	0	0	0	0	0
Total	\$3,643,500	\$3,702,000	\$398,200	\$4,100,200	(\$389,800)	\$3,710,400
Programs						
Basic Training	1,631,400	1,768,600	142,800	1,911,400	(317,900)	1,593,500
Regional/Inservice Training	619,300	846,900	(18,900)	828,000	(161,100)	666,900
POST Administration	1,392,800	1,086,500	274,300	1,360,800	89,200	1,450,000
Total	\$3,643,500	\$3,702,000	\$398,200	\$4,100,200	(\$389,800)	\$3,710,400
Categories of Expenditure						
Personnel Services	2,671,700	2,666,100	70,100	2,736,200	0	2,736,200
In-state Travel	20,100	9,600	10,700	20,300	0	20,300
Out-of-state Travel	12,100	9,500	2,600	12,100	0	12,100
Current Expense	564,400	584,900	(20,800)	564,100	0	564,100
DP Current Expense	350,000	267,100	7,200	274,300	89,400	363,700
DP Capital Outlay	0	60,000	420,300	480,300	(479,200)	1,100
Capital Outlay	12,300	8,100	(8,100)	0	0	0
Other Charges/Pass Thru	12,900	96,700	(83,800)	12,900	0	12,900
Total	\$3,643,500	\$3,702,000	\$398,200	\$4,100,200	(\$389,800)	\$3,710,400
Other Data						
Budgeted FTE	28	29	(5)	25	(2)	23
Actual FTE	32	0	27	27	(27)	0
Vehicles	61	61	0	61	0	61

*Does not include amounts in excess of subcommittee's state fund allocation that may be recommended by the Fiscal Analyst.