



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 830**

January Session, 2025

Substitute House Bill No. 7120

*House of Representatives, May 5, 2025*

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. WALKER of the 93rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING GRANTS FOR THE REMOVAL OF PFAS FROM FIRE APPARATUS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (10) of subsection (b) of section 41 of public act  
2 23-204 is repealed and the following is substitute in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
3 *from passage*):

4 (10) The sum of \$3,000,000 to the Department of Emergency Services  
5 and Public Protection, for Other Expenses, for the fiscal year ending  
6 June 30, 2024, to provide grants to municipalities, independent fire  
7 companies and state agencies to remove PFAS from fire apparatus or to  
8 provide reimbursement for the removal of PFAS from fire apparatus  
9 that occurred prior to July 1, 2023;

10 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) Any unexpended balance of funds  
11 transferred and made available to the Department of Emergency  
12 Services and Public Protection, for Other Expenses, pursuant to  
13 subdivision (10) of subsection (b) of section 41 of public act 23-204, as

14 amended by this act, and carried forward and made available for the  
15 fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, pursuant to subsection (c) of said  
16 section, shall not lapse on June 30, 2025, and such funds shall continue  
17 to be available during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, for the same  
18 purpose.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	PA 23-204, Sec. 41(b)(10)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

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**PS**            *Joint Favorable-LCO C/R*

APP

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*The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.*

## **OFA Fiscal Note**

### **State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection	GF - Carry Forward Appropriation	Approximately 1.5 million	None
Various State Agencies	Various - Potential Revenue Gain	See Below	None

Note: GF=General Fund; Various=Various

### **Municipal Impact:**

Municipalities	Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Various Municipalities	Potential Revenue Gain	See Below	None

## **Explanation**

The bill allows the unexpended funds for the removal of PFAS from fire apparatus to be carried forward from FY 25 to FY 26, while also expanding eligibility to include independent fire companies and state agencies and allowing reimbursement for any PFAS removal that occurred prior to July 1, 2023. It is estimated that approximately \$1.5 million of these funds will remain unspent at the end of FY 25.<sup>1</sup>

The bill also results in a potential revenue gain to various state agencies and various municipalities that request and receive reimbursement for PFAS removal.

<sup>1</sup> Of the original \$3 million carry forward appropriation, about \$1.7 million was unspent as of April 9, 2025.

***The Out Years***

The bill has no out years effect.

**OLR Bill Analysis****sHB 7120*****AN ACT CONCERNING GRANTS FOR THE REMOVAL OF PFAS FROM FIRE APPARATUS.*****SUMMARY**

The 2023 budget implementer act transferred \$3 million to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) to give grants to municipalities to remove perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) from fire apparatus.

This bill expands (1) who may get these grants to include independent fire companies and state agencies and (2) the grants' purpose to include reimbursing for PFAS removal from fire apparatus that occurred before July 1, 2023.

The bill also specifies that any remaining funds at the end of FY 25 are carried forward to FY 26 for DESPP to continue to give grants for the same recipients and purpose.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference - APP

Yea 29 Nay 0 (03/18/2025)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 54 Nay 0 (04/24/2025)