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HB-6954

AN ACT ADDING WITNESSING A SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY AS A QUALIFYING EVENT FOR PURPOSES OF POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS INJURY WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Workers' Comp. Claims-Admin.	App Fund -	See Below	See Below
Serv. Dept.	Potential Cost		

Note: App Fund=All Appropriated Funds

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Various Municipalities	STATE	See Below	See Below
	MANDATE1		
	- Potential		
	Cost		

Explanation

The bill results in a potential cost to the Department of Administrative Services – Worker's Compensation Claims and various self-insured municipalities beginning in FY 26 to the extent qualified personnel apply for workers' compensation benefits due to the expanded population eligible for such benefits due to post-traumatic stress injuries.

Any potential increase in the number of workers' compensation claims resulting from this bill is not anticipated to be great enough to

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¹ State mandate is defined in Sec. 2-32b(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes, "state mandate" means any state initiated constitutional, statutory or executive action that requires a local government to establish, expand or modify its activities in such a way as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues.

result in a fiscal impact to the Workers' Compensation Commission.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.