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sSB-1239 AN ACT CONCERNING THE FALLEN HERO FUND AND PROVIDING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE TO SURVIVORS OF FIRST RESPONDERS WHO ARE KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Revenue Serv., Dept.	GF - Potential	Minimal	Minimal
-	Revenue Loss		
Comptroller	GF - See Below	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Various Municipalities	See Below	See Below	See Below

Explanation

The bill, which expands eligibility for the "Fallen Officer Fund" to additional first responders, results in a potential minimal General Fund revenue loss beginning as early as FY 26.

Benefit payments, which total \$100,000 for each qualifying beneficiary, are exempt from the personal income tax under current law. Thus, each additional beneficiary that qualifies under the bill would result in a General Fund revenue loss of approximately \$4,000.

As under existing law, the surviving family is eligible for health insurance coverage under the state partnership plan, which results in a net neutral fiscal impact to the state or municipalities facilitating coverage as the payments will be reimbursed by the Fallen Officer Fund.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of qualifying beneficiaries.