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)