OLR Bill Analysis sSB 1220

AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH BENEFITS FOR STATE MARSHALS.

SUMMARY

This bill allows certain state marshals to participate in the state employee health insurance plan, under the same terms and conditions, and paying the same amount, as active state employees under the State Employees Bargaining Agent Coalition (SEBAC) agreement. To be eligible, they must:

- 1. work as a state marshal at least 20 hours per week, on average, on a quarterly basis;
- 2. be actively engaged in serving (a) process for indigent parties who have the cost of serving process waived in civil or criminal matters; (b) protection orders for victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse, sexual assault, or stalking; or (c) capias mittimus orders (civil arrest warrants) issued by a family support magistrate;
- 3. certify the above facts for the preceding calendar quarter on forms provided by and filed with the State Marshal Commission by the 15th day of each April, July, October, and January; and
- 4. not have access to (a) actuarially equivalent health insurance coverage through their spouse or (b) health insurance through the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement System.

Current law allows state marshals to join the state employee health insurance plan regardless of how many hours per week they work; however, they must pay the full cost of the coverage. Under the bill, state marshals who work less than 20 hours per week on average continue to have this option. The bill also makes technical and conforming changes (e.g., allowing the health insurance provided to state marshals over age 65 to be modified in the same ways current law allows for active and retired state employees over that age).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2025

COMMITTEE ACTION

Labor and Public Employees Committee

Joint Favorable Yea 13 Nay 0 (03/06/2025)