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HB-5279

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 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Department of Administrative Services - Workers' Comp. Claims	App Fund - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: App Fund=All Appropriated Funds

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Various Municipalities	STATE MANDATE ¹ - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

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 27 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.

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.

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