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# State of New Hampshire

## POLICE STANDARDS & TRAINING COUNCIL



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The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman  
Fiscal Committee of the General Court *and*

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

### REQUESTED ACTION

1. Pursuant to RSA 124:15 and contingent upon the approval of Requested Action #2, authorize the Police Standards and Training Council to establish a Class 046 – Consultants for the purpose of supporting the law enforcement accreditation program, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approvals through June 30, 2023. **100% Transfer of Federal Funds**
  
2. The Police Standards and Training Council requests authorization to accept and expend funds in the amount of \$75,000 from the Department of Justice for the purpose of contracting with an expert in law enforcement accreditation to implement a statewide program for law enforcement accreditation, effective upon Governor and Council approval through August 31, 2023. **100% Transfer of Federal Funds.**

Funds are to be budgeted in FY2023 in the following account:

06-087-087-870510-NEWXXXX – Law Enforcement Accreditation Program

Class-Account- Revenue Group	Class Title	FY2023 Current Adjusted Authorized	Requested Action	FY2023 Revised Adjusted Authorized
<b>Revenue</b>				
00D-488520-69	Interagency Revenue from Fed Funds	0	75,000	75,000
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>75,000</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
020-500200	Current Expenses	0	2,000	2,000

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040-500800	Indirect Costs	0	1,500	1,500
046-500464	Consultants	0	69,500	69,500
070-500704	In-State Travel Reimbursement	0	2,000	2,000
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>75,000</b>

### EXPLANATION

On February 16, 2022, Governor and Council approved Item #129 for subgrants from the NH Department of Justice to the Police Standards & Training Council and the NH Association of Chiefs of Police. The Police Standards & Training Council was granted \$75,000 and NH Association of Chiefs of Police was granted \$25,000.

The purpose of this subgrant was to establish a statewide law enforcement accreditation program. On July 25, 2022, the Governor issued Executive Order #2022-06, creating the New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission to launch and oversee this program, which is administratively attached to the Police Standards & Training Council. The Police Standards & Training Council will contract with an expert in law enforcement accreditation who will provide guidance on policy, development, best practice, and assistance throughout the accreditation process. The contractor will also market the program to New Hampshire law enforcement agencies, track applications, assist in the development of a collection of trained assessors, and present reports to the New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission for consideration.

Funds are budgeted as follows:

Class 020 – Current Expenses – Consumable Supplies  
Class 040 – Indirect Costs – 10% of Federal Fund Revenue  
Class 046 – Consultants – Contracted Expert in Accreditation  
Class 070 – In-State Travel Reimbursement – Mileage

The following information is provided in accordance with the Comptroller's instructional memorandum dated September 21, 1981.

1) List of personnel involved:  
**Director John V. Scippa.**

2) Nature, Need, and Duration:

**On June 16, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-11, which established the New Hampshire Commission on Law Enforcement Accountability, Community, and Transparency (the "LEACT Commission"). On August 31, 2020, the LEACT Commission issued its final report, which included 48 recommendations for reforms that the Commission deemed necessary to enhance transparency, accountability, and community relations in law enforcement. On September 17, 2020, the Governor endorsed all the**

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**recommendations of the LEACT Commission and put forward a road map for implementation of each of the recommendations. One of these recommendations included the pursuit of accreditation by New Hampshire law enforcement agencies based on nationally accepted standards. This program is anticipated to be a long term program.**

3) Relationship to existing agency programs:

**No relationship to existing programs.**

4) Has a similar program been requested of the legislature and denied?

**No.**

5) Why wasn't funding included in the agency's budget request?

**Funding was not included in the agency budget request because the program was initiated by Governor Christopher T. Sununu by executive order #2022-06, on July 25, 2022, which is within the current budget biennium.**

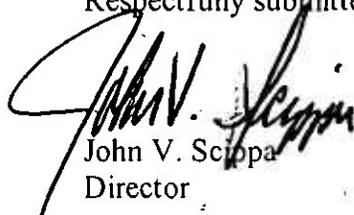
6) Can portions of the grant funds be utilized?

**Yes. The grant funds will be utilized until August 31, 2023.**

7) Estimate the funds required to continue this position(s):

**We estimate that approximately \$75,000 will be needed in each fiscal year to continue the program.**

Respectfully submitted,



John V. Scoppa  
Director