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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7310

BILL NUMBER: HB 1409

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 20, 2011

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Community Corrections Police Officers.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Goodin

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: ___ **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: *Appointment of Community Corrections Police Officers-* The bill authorizes a community corrections advisory board to appoint certain individuals as community corrections police officers.

Completion of Training- The bill requires a community corrections police officer to complete a pre-basic training course approved by the Law Enforcement Training Board and the appointing community corrections advisory board.

Police Powers Granted- It grants community corrections police officers police powers, but only: (1) in connection with offenses committed on the property of the community corrections program; (2) in connection with an offense involving a person participating in the community corrections program; (3) in connection with an offense committed in the presence of an officer; or (4) while assisting another law enforcement officer who has requested the assistance of the community corrections police officer.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Completion of Training-* The Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) provides the pre-basic course materials, required by the bill, free of charge to local law enforcement agencies. Therefore, this provision should not require additional expenditure by the ILEA.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Completion of Training-* The impact of this provision on local

expenditures would depend on the number of persons appointed as a community corrections police officer by a community corrections advisory board. An appointee would not be able to exercise police powers until completion of the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) pre-basic training course.

The pre-basic course could be completed at a local law enforcement agency offering the course. Many law enforcement agencies will run the course free of charge. Some law enforcement agencies may charge a fee of \$50 per person to provide the course to persons outside of their jurisdiction. It may be possible for a community corrections agency to use community correction grant money received from the state to fund an officer appointee's training with approval from the Department of Correction. Payment of salary and benefits to community corrections police officers would be limited to the amount of resources available to a community corrections agency.

Background: As of December 2010, there were 78 counties participating in a community corrections program. For FY 2008, \$33.5 M in grant money from the Department of Correction was distributed to community corrections programs.

Current training rules require the pre-basic course to be taught by a certified Law Enforcement Training Board instructor. There are approximately 3,000 to 3,500 certified instructors in the state.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Counties participating in a community corrections program.

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