

# HOUSE BILL NO. 2222

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE PETERS.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

### AN ACT

To amend chapter 650, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the shield our streets act.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 650, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 650.490, to read as follows:

**650.490. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Shield Our Streets Act".**

**2. As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:**

**(1) "Department", the department of public safety;**

**(2) "Elevated need locality", a political subdivision of this state that:**

**(a) Has a violent crime rate at or above the national average, as determined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI); and**

**(b) Has, during the most recent five-year period, had budget reductions;**

**(3) "Eligible local law enforcement agency", a local law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over all or part of an elevated need locality;**

**(4) "Eligible organization":**

**(a) An eligible local law enforcement agency; or**

**(b) A nonprofit organization that operates in one or more elevated need localities.**

**3. (1) Subject to appropriations, the department of public safety is authorized to implement a program to award grants to eligible local law enforcement agencies to assist such agencies with hiring and rehiring career law enforcement officers in accordance with this subsection.**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18           **(2) Grant moneys awarded under this subsection shall be used by an eligible law**  
19 **enforcement agency to:**

20           **(a) Hire and train new career law enforcement officers for deployment in the**  
21 **jurisdiction of the agency; or**

22           **(b) Rehire career law enforcement officers who have been laid off as a result of**  
23 **federal, state, or local budget reductions.**

24           **(3) Each grant awarded under this subsection shall be for a period of three years**  
25 **and may be extended or renewed for an additional two-year period at the discretion of the**  
26 **department.**

27           **(4) The department shall provide technical assistance to eligible local law**  
28 **enforcement agencies during the application process and while such agencies are receiving**  
29 **grants under this subsection.**

30           **(5) An eligible local law enforcement agency receiving a grant under this subsection**  
31 **shall not be required to provide any portion of the costs, in cash or in-kind, of the activities**  
32 **implemented with such grant moneys.**

33           **(6) In addition to any other funds authorized to be appropriated for hire and**  
34 **rehiring local law enforcement officers, there are authorized to be appropriated to**  
35 **implement this section ten million dollars for each of the fiscal years 2016 to 2021.**

36           **4. (1) Subject to appropriations, the department is authorized to implement a**  
37 **program to award grants to eligible organizations to enhance public safety through the**  
38 **activities described in subdivision (2) of this subsection.**

39           **(2) Grants awarded under this subsection shall be used as follows:**

40           **(a) With respect to an eligible organization described in paragraph (a) of**  
41 **subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of this section, to enhance public safety in the jurisdiction**  
42 **of the organization. Such enhancement may include, but not be limited to:**

43           **a. Purchasing public safety equipment;**

44           **b. Funding public safety programs;**

45           **c. Making infrastructure improvements for the purpose of enhancing public safety;**

46           **d. Purchasing and installing street lights and other lights to deter crime;**

47           **e. Funding activities related to crime labs;**

48           **f. Funding public defender programs;**

49           **(b) With respect to an eligible organization described in paragraph (b) of**  
50 **subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of this section, to implement programs designed to reduce**  
51 **crime in one or more of the cities or counties in the elevated need locality.**

52           **(3) Each grant awarded under this subsection shall be for a period of one year and**  
53 **may be extended or renewed for an additional period at the discretion of the department.**

54 (4) The department shall provide technical assistance to eligible organizations  
55 during the application process and while such organizations are receiving grants under this  
56 subsection.

57 (5) An eligible organization receiving a grant under this subsection shall not be  
58 required to provide any portion of the costs, in cash or in-kind, of the activities  
59 implemented with such grant moneys.

60 (6) In addition to any other moneys authorized to be appropriated for public safety  
61 enhancement by eligible organizations, there are authorized to be appropriated to  
62 implement this subsection ten million dollars for each of the 2016 to 2021 fiscal years.

63 5. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Shield Our Streets Fund",  
64 which shall consist of moneys appropriated, and any contributions, donations, gifts, grants,  
65 bequests, or other moneys made available to carry out the purposes of this section. The  
66 state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and  
67 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated fund  
68 and, upon appropriation, money in the fund shall be used solely for the administration of  
69 this section.

70 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys  
71 remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the  
72 general revenue fund.

73 (3) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other  
74 funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited  
75 to the fund.

76 6. The department may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this  
77 section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is  
78 created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it  
79 complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable,  
80 section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers  
81 vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective  
82 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the  
83 grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2014,  
84 shall be invalid and void.

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