

Legislative Analysis



LOWER DETROIT POPULATION THRESHOLD: ARSON INVESTIGATORS SWORN AS POLICE

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House Bill 4344

Sponsor: Rep. Thomas F. Stallworth, III
Committee: Local Government

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4344 AS INTRODUCED 2-28-13

Under the Commission on Law Enforcement Standards Act, a city with a population of at least 750,000 can include a fire arson investigator from a fire department within its definition of "police officer" or "law enforcement officer," if the investigator is sworn and fully empowered by the city chief of police. House Bill 4344 would lower the population threshold to 600,000. This would continue to apply only to Detroit, whose population fell below 750,000 in the most recent decennial census.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would leave current practice in place and would have no significant fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

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