

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 5530 Department of State Police

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Public Safety Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Lewis

SB 5530 is the budget bill for the Department of State Police.

The Subcommittee approved a total funds budget of \$611.3 million, with 1,370 positions and 1,368.15 FTE. Investments include \$3.1 million General Fund for compensation increases to Medical Examiner positions and adding two additional Deputy Medical Examiner's and two lab technicians to address backlogs. \$3.1 million General Fund is included for long-term storage at the North Valley Complex in Wilsonville, \$1.8 million General Fund for the continuation of positions to address a backlog in firearms background checks, and \$4.5 million General Fund for critical equipment like tasers, ballistic vests, and lifecycle replacement of computers and Mobile Data Terminals.

Some budget shortfalls were backfilled including \$3.8 million General Fund from the State Fire Marshal becoming an independent agency and \$2.6 million General Fund for fourteen positions across the agency, including Command Center Supervisors, that will allow the Department to hire 20 trooper positions formerly held vacant.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends SB 5530 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.