

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by adding  
5 Sections 5.970 and 6z-130 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.970 new)

7 Sec. 5.970. The Law Enforcement Recruitment and Retention  
8 Fund.

9 (30 ILCS 105/6z-130 new)

10 Sec. 6z-130. The Law Enforcement Recruitment and Retention  
11 Fund.

12 (a) The Law Enforcement Recruitment and Retention Fund is  
13 hereby created as a special fund in the State Treasury.

14 (b) Subject to appropriation, moneys in the Law  
15 Enforcement Recruitment and Retention Fund shall be used by  
16 the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board to award  
17 grants to units of local government, public institutions of  
18 higher education, and qualified nonprofit entities for the  
19 purpose of hiring and retaining law enforcement officers.

20 (c) When awarding grants, the Board shall prioritize:

21 (1) grants that will be used to hire, retain, or hire  
22 and retain law enforcement officers in underserved areas

1 and areas experiencing the most need;

2 (2) achieving demographic and geographic diversity of  
3 law enforcement officers that are recruited or hired by  
4 applicants that are awarded grants;

5 (3) maximizing the effects of moneys spent on the  
6 actual recruitment and retention of law enforcement  
7 officers; and

8 (4) providing grants that can impact multiple  
9 employers.

10 (d) Moneys received for the purposes of this Section,  
11 including, but not limited to, fee receipts, gifts, grants,  
12 and awards from any public or private entity, must be  
13 deposited into the Fund. Any interest earned on moneys in the  
14 Fund must be deposited into the Fund.

15 (e) The Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board  
16 may, by rule, set requirements for the distribution of grant  
17 moneys and determine which entities are eligible.

18 (f) The Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board  
19 shall consider compliance with the Uniform Crime Reporting Act  
20 as a factor in awarding grant moneys.

21 (g) As used in this Section, "qualified nonprofit entity"  
22 means a nonprofit entity, as defined by the Board by rule, that  
23 has established experience in recruitment and retention of law  
24 enforcement officers in Illinois.

25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
26 becoming law.