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## STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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| <b>Bill Number:</b>    | H. 3165  | Introduced on January 12, 2021         |
| <b>Author:</b>         | McCravy  |  |
| <b>Subject:</b>        | Fallen First Responders Survivor Advocate Position |  |
| <b>Requestor:</b>      | House Ways and Means                               |  |
| <b>RFA Analyst(s):</b> | Coomer   |  |
| <b>Impact Date:</b>    | April 26, 2021                                     | Updated for Additional Agency Response |

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### Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill creates a statewide advocate position within the Department of Administration (DOA) to assist the survivors of fallen first responders. This bill will increase General Fund expenditures of DOA by \$84,408 in FY 2021-22 and each year thereafter.

### Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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##### State Expenditure

This bill creates the Fallen First Responder Survivor Advocate (advocate) position within DOA to assist the survivors of fallen first responders. The agency is required to employ only one full-time person who shall issue a report to the General Assembly after one full year as to whether an administrative assistant is also needed to fulfill the mandates of this bill. The educational and professional requirements for the position include a four-year college degree and at least four years of experience in insurance claims, consumer advocacy, benefits, dispute resolution, legal, or similar work. The advocate will receive pay commensurate with qualifications and experience.

DOA recommends that the position be considered one of the Human Resources Classifications in Pay Band 6. DOA indicates that this corresponds to a total of \$84,408 in salary and fringe benefits. Therefore, this bill will increase General Fund expenditures of DOA by \$84,408 in FY 2021-22 and each year thereafter.

##### State Revenue

N/A

##### Local Expenditure

N/A

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**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

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N/A



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