

CHAPTER 1115

UNIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT FUNDING

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AN ACT relating to funding of unified law enforcement districts, and including effective date and applicability provisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 28E.23, subsection 1, Code 2014, is amended to read as follows:

1. The public safety commission, on or before January 10 of each year, shall make an estimate of the total amount of revenue deemed necessary for operation of the district and, in conjunction with the county board of supervisors and city councils in the district, determine the amounts which will be contributed by the county and by each city in the district from its general fund which are based upon an average of revenues raised for law enforcement purposes in the county or city for the three previous years. As an alternative to computing average revenues raised for law enforcement purposes for the three previous years, a public safety commission, in conjunction with the county board of supervisors and city councils in the district, may calculate the average by using the amounts budgeted for the three previous fiscal years. The average of the amounts budgeted for the three previous fiscal years may be adjusted by a percentage not to exceed the percentage increase in the consumer price index for all urban consumers for the last available twelve-month period published in the federal register by the federal department of labor, bureau of labor statistics.

Sec. 2. Section 28E.23, subsection 2, Code 2014, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. c. Any other method agreed to by each city and county member of the district. The public safety commission shall compute the amount of revenue deemed necessary for the operation of the district and the amounts to be contributed by the county and by each city in the district based upon such agreement. The computation of revenue under this paragraph shall be certified, deposited, and otherwise treated the same as an average of revenues under section 28E.24 for all purposes, including determining the source of additional revenues needed for unified law enforcement services. If the method of funding allowed in this paragraph is used, any requirement relating to average revenues raised for law enforcement purposes for the three previous years in this section, section 28E.22, subsection 4, or section 28E.24, shall not apply.

Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT.** This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Sec. 4. **APPLICABILITY.** The following provision or provisions of this Act apply to fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2014:

1. The section of this Act amending section 28E.23, subsection 1.
2. The section of this Act amending section 28E.23, subsection 2.

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