### **Fiscal Note**

#### 2025-2026 Legislative Session

# HF1042 - 0 - Force Investigations Unite Authority Modified

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	x	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		x
Tax Revenue		x
Information Technology		х
Local Fiscal Impact		х

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions shown in the parentheses.

State Cost (Savings)			Biennium		Biennium	
Dollars in Thousands		FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
General Fund	_	-	231	231	231	231
	Total	-	231	231	231	231
	Bien	nial Total		462		462

ull Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)		Biennium		Biennium		
		FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
General Fund		-	1	1	1	1
	Total	-	1	1	1	1

### LBO Analyst's Comment

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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### State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions are shown in parentheses.

\*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

State Cost (Savings) = 1-2		Biennium		Biennium		
Dollars in Thousands		FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
General Fund		-	231	231	231	231
	Total	-	231	231	231	231
	Bier	nnial Total		462		462
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Tra	Insfers Out*					
General Fund		-	231	231	231	231
	Total	-	231	231	231	231
	Bier	nnial Total		462		462
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
General Fund		-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
	Bier	nnial Total		-		-

#### **Bill Description**

The bill modifies the duties and investigative jurisdiction of the Use of Force Investigations Unit (FIU) of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension of the Department of Public Safety.

**Section 1:** Amends Minn. Stat. 299C.80, Subd. 3 to provide that the FIU shall investigate criminal sexual conduct occurring in Minnesota that involves any members of the United States armed forces (not merely the Minnesota National Guard) and the alleged assault occurs at a military installation, armory, air base, or facility owned or controlled by the state (of Minnesota) for military purposes. Provides that the FIU shall conduct investigations regardless of the state of residence or assigned unit of the alleged victim if the alleged assault occurs (at a military installation) in Minnesota. Provides that the FIU shall assist with any investigation of a sexual assault of a member of the armed forces (not merely a member of the Minnesota National Guard) by any other member of the armed forces (not merely another member of the Minnesota National Guard) that might occur (at a military installation) in Minnesota.

## Assumptions

The FIU the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) will investigate all alleged or reported sexual assaults occurring in Minnesota at a military installation (base, armory, etc.) that involve members of the United States armed forces. Between 2022 and 2024, the BCA averaged 33 sexual assault investigations involving the Minnesota National Guard and law enforcement requiring the effort of 2.5 FTE staff. Each case requires 100 to 200 staff hours.

BCA consulted with different branches of the United States armed forces and Minnesota law enforcement and found that there is no single point of data that records the number of sexual assault investigations that were reported/investigated across Minnesota. In some instances, the military investigated the sexual assault, in some instances local or county law enforcement investigated the sexual assault, and in the majority, the BCA investigated the sexual assault. In addition to numerous armories, Minnesota regularly hosts United States armed forces personnel from inside/outside Minnesota at the Air National Guard base at the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport, Camp Ripley Military Reservation and numerous other military buildings and training facilities across Minnesota. In order to comply with the bill's requirements,

BCA estimates it would need one additional special agent to handle the investigations required by this bill to investigate potential cases.

#### Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

Ancillary costs for vehicles, radios, phones, space, equipment, training, and computers/software are calculated at \$37,000 per year for sworn personnel. One FTE Special Agent at \$194,165 per year for salary and fringe plus \$37,000 per year for

ancillary costs is \$231,165 beginning in FY 2026 ongoing.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Local Fiscal Impact

**References/Sources** 

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