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Senate Bill 1091 (Substitute S-2 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Stephanie Chang
Committee: Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety

CONTENT

The bill would enact a new law to do the following:

- Require each law enforcement agency to adopt a use of force policy and prescribe requirements of the policy, beginning six months after the bill's effective date.
- Require each law enforcement agency to review and update its use of force policy to comply with the bill and case law precedent.
- Require each law enforcement agency to make its use of force policy publicly available.

BRIEF RATIONALE

According to testimony before the Senate Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety, law enforcement officers are in positions of authority and have the training and potential to use force against an individual. Some people have concern that these circumstances in some instances can lead to excessive use of force and an abuse of power. While many law enforcement agencies in the State have use of force policies that create standards and alternatives to using physical force, it has been suggested to require law enforcement agencies to have use of force policies to ensure that interactions between community members and law enforcement officers are safe for all parties.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a moderate fiscal impact on State and local law enforcement, as it would require law enforcement agencies (which by definition would include conservation officers as well as police) to develop policies and procedures on the use of force, following standards prescribed in the bill. Developing procedures and use-of-force policies could result in additional administrative and in-house training costs for State and local law enforcement agencies, and for the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards to develop training curricula that reflected the bill's requirements, at a cost that cannot be determined at this time.

This bill would have a small negative fiscal impact on local units of government as it would require local law enforcement agencies to adopt use of force policies and continually review them. The negative fiscal impact would be in terms of additional administrative labor to create and review these policies and the potential cost of training officers on the new policies.

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