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Honorable Regina Thomas  
State Senator  
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SUBJECT: Fiscal Note  
Senate Bill 36 (LC 35 0338)

Dear Senator Thomas:

This bill addresses salary increases that would be applicable to certified investigators employed by the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Council. Specifically, the bill stipulates that salary increases appropriated for any state employed certified investigators, which exceed salary increases authorized for state employees generally, would apply to these certified investigators who are employed by the POST Council.

Based on the current number of certified investigators employed by the POST Council and their total collective salaries and benefits, a one percent raise applicable to this group of employees would equate to a total of \$5,141, overall. Information obtained from the POST Council indicates that there are currently nine such investigators, with salaries and benefits totaling \$514,113. Without knowing the precise percentage that may actually be applicable in any future appropriation scenario, the exact fiscal impact of the bill cannot be calculated more precisely.

Respectfully,

/s/ Russell W. Hinton  
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/s/ Trey Childress, Director  
Office of Planning and Budget

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