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North Carolina Association of Chiefs of Police

- Celebrating 50 years
- Members are heads of municipal, campus, and state and federal law enforcement agencies
- Purpose is enhancing professionalism through training and leadership development
- Regular regional training meetings, annual conference, chiefs leadership institute for aspiring chiefs, continuous email information on current topics and training opportunities

5 and 10 Year Outlook of Needs and Concerns

- Retention and Recruitment to relieve staff shortages (civilian traffic investigators; defer special separation allowance)
- State mental and behavioral health resources
- Artificial Intelligence in crime detection, enforcement, and administration
- Other technology needs (rapid DNA, facial recognition, communication, computers)
- Continuing default responsibilities (IVC transport, pre-trial release procedures)

Status of State Funding

- \$3 million grant program for officer performance and wellness initiatives is expiring
- 106 grants awarded (42 police depts.; 34 sheriff offices); examples are officer tracking and risk assessments, critical incident response, officer safety and mental health, etc).
- Ending unless reauthorized
- Complies with SB 300 in tracking officer performance to detect need for counselling or discipline, and officer mental and physical health

Legislative Policy Recommendations

- Increased state funding for mental and behavioral health resources (mobile treatment and urgent care centers; more residential treatment centers fully staffed)
- Adjustments in the juvenile justice system to address increased number and severity of juvenile crimes (such as make escape from juvenile detention center a crime; require DHHS to provide officer juvenile history of suspect; allow DA to attend probation hearing, and others)

Legislative Policy Recommendations, Cont.

- Enact crime of reckless discharge of firearm
- Extend ALPR pilot program allowing DOT and SBI to permit ALPRs in State Right of Way (111 approved to date)