
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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Deputy Inspector General – powers and authority to act as peace officer

(R.C. 109.71 and 121.483)

The bill authorizes a Deputy Inspector General, who has been awarded a certificate by the Executive Director of the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission, to exercise the powers and authority of a peace officer under the laws of Ohio while engaged in the scope of the deputy inspector general's duties. The certificate attests to the deputy inspector general's satisfactory completion of an approved state, county, or municipal peace officer basic training program.

Deputy Inspector General for funds received through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

(R.C. 121.53 (not in the bill) and Section 105.05 of H.B. 2 of the 128th General Assembly; Sections 620.10 and 620.11)

The bill extends the position of the Deputy Inspector General for funds received through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) through June 30, 2014. The position currently is scheduled to be eliminated on September 30, 2013.

The Deputy Inspector General for funds received through the ARRA is responsible for monitoring state agencies' distribution of the federal economic stimulus funds the agencies received under the ARRA and for investigating any wrongful acts or omissions committed with respect to those funds. The Deputy Inspector General for funds received through the ARRA also conducts random reviews of the processing of contracts funded with money received under the ARRA.

