

## **Minnesota Department of Public Safety**

# 2021 Report to the Legislature

Costs to Public Safety Assistance for Civil Unrest through Interstate Emergency Management Assistance Compact and State Trooper Expenses

In compliance with 2021 Minnesota Laws, chapter 13, section 1-2

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### **Background:**

In order to respond to the extra security needs surrounding the trial of Derek Chauvin for the death of George Floyd, the Minnesota legislature passed extra funding to pay for costs related to civil unrest. Of this one-time appropriation, \$1.5 million was for the use of Interstate Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) and \$6.3 million was to the State Patrol for state trooper expenses.

#### **EMAC Status Report:**

Ohio and Nebraska both offered assistance through the Interstate Emergency Management Assistance Compact. Ohio was reimbursed \$505,435.53 to cover the following EMAC expense categories and amounts for their 100 troopers between April 19, 2021 – April, 23, 2021:

Expense Description 🔽	Cost		
Overtime	\$181,460.43		
Full Time Salary	\$237,642.47		
Lodging	\$35,504.64		
Meals	\$15,077.95		
Travel	\$21,180.00		
Equipment	\$9,323.60		
Other Miscellaneous	\$5,246.44		
Total	\$505,435.53		

The "Other Miscellaneous" category entails shift differential.

Nebraska was reimbursed \$63,463.48 to cover the following EMAC expense categories and amounts for their 24 troopers between April 16, 2021 – April 21, 2021:

Expense Description	Cost	¥
Overtime	\$14,168.	17
Full Time Salary	\$35,963.	60
Lodging	\$4,280.	07
Meals	\$2,672.	83
Travel	\$5,100.	48
Other Miscellaneous	\$1,278.	33
Total	\$63,463	.48

The "Other Miscellaneous" category covered tolls and uniform needs.

Between the two states, there is a total of \$568,899.01 total for EMAC costs related to civil unrest.

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The overall costs were lower than anticipated as the need for EMAC assistance did not last for the full duration of the request. The remaining \$931,100.99 from the \$1.5 million was returned to the general fund.

#### **State Patrol Status Report:**

The Commissioner of Public Safety received \$6.3M to pay for state trooper expenses related to civil unrest, including costs arising from restoring or maintaining civil order. In accordance with the law, \$1.3M was transferred to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to pay for conservation officer expenses related to civil unrest.

Of the \$1.3M transferred to the DNR, all reimbursement was for staff regular salary and overtime. The breakdown of expenditures as provided by DNR is as follows:

Type of Expenditure	*	Sum of Amount
Regular Time Compensatio	n	548,949.90
Overtime Compensation		745,745.44
_		1,294,695.34

The remaining \$5M was spent by the State Patrol to cover unfunded civil-unrest related expenses. The State Patrol deployed Troopers multiple times in 2021 to ensure the safety of all citizens, to protect First Amendment rights, and to quell violence, looting, and property destruction. After events at the U.S. Capitol in January, the State Patrol deployed additional State Troopers to ensure the safety and security of the Minnesota legislative session. In March and April, the State Patrol deployed significant numbers of State Troopers to Brooklyn Center in the wake of an officer-involved shooting that resulted in rioting and looting. Troopers also deployed in significant numbers for the Chauvin murder trial. The summer of 2021 brought an increase in crimes of violence in the metro area, and the State Patrol responded into Minneapolis to assist with restoring the peace in Uptown. All of these civil unrest-related expenses were unfunded.

The State Patrol utilized the appropriated \$5M to cover the following expense categories and amounts:

Expense Description	Cost
Overtime	\$ 3,531,276.07
Full Time Salary	\$ 653,339.64
Lodging	\$ 383,450.82
Meals, Nutrition, Hydration	\$ 369,733.13
Training, Other Miscellaneous	\$ 62,200.34
Total	\$5,000,000.00

The category "Training, Other Miscellaneous" includes facility lease costs for mobile response team training, the required assistance of the Wisconsin State Patrol in the immediate days following the death of George Floyd (\$38,303.06), laundry for troopers deployed during civil unrest, vehicle/bus rental fees, and supplies such as the flood lights (rented) and necessary command post supplies (white boards, printer, projector)

