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99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE KELLEY (127).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 590.030 and 590.050, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to law enforcement officer continuing education requirements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 590.030 and 590.050, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 590.030 and 590.050, to read as follows:

590.030. 1. The POST commission shall establish minimum standards for the basic training of peace officers. Such standards may vary for each class of license established pursuant to subsection 2 of section 590.020.

2. The director shall establish minimum age, citizenship, and general education requirements and may require a qualifying score on a certification examination as conditions of eligibility for a peace officer license. Such general education requirements shall require completion of a high school program of education under chapter 167 or obtainment of a General Educational Development (GED) certificate.

3. The director shall provide for the licensure, with or without additional basic training, of peace officers possessing credentials by other states or jurisdictions, including federal and military law enforcement officers.

4. The director shall establish a procedure for obtaining a peace officer license and shall issue the proper license when the requirements of this chapter have been met.

5. As conditions of licensure, all licensed peace officers shall:

(1) Obtain continuing law enforcement education pursuant to rules to be promulgated by the POST commission; and

(2) Maintain a current address of record on file with the director.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 **6. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter or any rule promulgated by**
19 **the POST commission, beginning August 28, 2017, the reporting period for law**
20 **enforcement continuing education requirements shall be extended from a three-year**
21 **reporting period to a five-year reporting period.**

22 7. A peace officer license shall automatically expire if the licensee fails to hold a
23 commission as a peace officer for a period of five consecutive years, provided that the POST
24 commission shall provide for the relicensure of such persons and may require retraining as a
25 condition of eligibility for relicensure, and provided that the director may provide for the
26 continuing licensure, subject to restrictions, of persons who hold and exercise a law enforcement
27 commission requiring a peace officer license but not meeting the definition of a peace officer
28 pursuant to this chapter.

 590.050. 1. The POST commission shall establish requirements for the continuing
2 education of all peace officers. Peace officers who make traffic stops shall be required to receive
3 three hours of training within the law enforcement continuing education [~~three-year~~ **five-year**
4 reporting period concerning the prohibition against racial profiling and such training shall
5 promote understanding and respect for racial and cultural differences and the use of effective,
6 noncombative methods for carrying out law enforcement duties in a racially and culturally
7 diverse environment.

8 2. The director shall license continuing education providers and may probate, suspend
9 and revoke such licenses upon written notice stating the reasons for such action. Any person
10 aggrieved by a decision of the director pursuant to this subsection may appeal as provided in
11 chapter 536.

12 3. The costs of continuing law enforcement education shall be reimbursed in part by
13 moneys from the peace officer standards and training commission fund created in section
14 590.178, subject to availability of funds, except that no such funds shall be used for the training
15 of any person not actively commissioned or employed by a county or municipal law enforcement
16 agency.

17 4. The director may engage in any activity intended to further the professionalism of
18 peace officers through training and education, including the provision of specialized training
19 through the department of public safety.

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