1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015) 3 SENATE BILL 65 Bv: Paddack 4 5 AS INTRODUCED 6 An Act relating to professions and occupations; amending 59 O.S. 2011, Section 1750.3, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 136, O.S.L. 2014, and 1750.3A, (59 7 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 1750.3), which relate to the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act; 8 establishing training for certain persons; modifying 9 requirements for licenses; and providing an effective date. 10 11 12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: SECTION 1. 59 O.S. 2011, Section 1750.3, as 13 AMENDATORY amended by Section 1, Chapter 136, O.S.L. 2014 (59 O.S. Supp. 2014, 14 15 Section 1750.3), is amended to read as follows: Section 1750.3. A. The director of the Council on Law 16 Enforcement Education and Training, and any staff member designated 17 by the director, shall have all the powers and authority of peace 18 officers of this state for the purposes of enforcing the provisions 19 of the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act, and all 20 other duties which are or may be conferred upon the Council by the 21 Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act. The powers 22 and duties conferred on the director or any staff member appointed 23

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by the director as a peace officer shall not limit the powers and

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duties of other peace officers of this state or any political subdivision thereof. The director, or any staff member appointed by the director as a peace officer shall, upon request, assist any federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency.

- B. The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training shall have the following powers and duties:
- To promulgate rules to carry out the purposes of the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act;

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- 2. To establish and enforce standards governing the training of persons required to be licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Security

 Guard and Private Investigator Act with respect to:
 - a. issuing, denying, or revoking certificates of approval to security training schools, and programs administered by the state, a county, a municipality, a private corporation, or an individual,
 - b. certifying instructors at approved security training schools,
 - c. establishing minimum requirements for security training schools and periodically reviewing these standards, and
 - d. providing for periodic inspection of all security training schools or programs;
- 3. To establish minimum curriculum requirements for training as the Council may require for security guards, armed security guards,

and private investigators. Training requirements for unarmed security guards shall not exceed forty (40) hours of instruction;

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- 4. To establish minimum requirements for a mandatory continuing education program for all licensed private investigators and security guards which shall include, but not be limited to:
 - a. establishing a designated minimum number of clock hours of required attendance, not to exceed twentyfour (24) clock hours during the licensing period, at accredited educational functions,
 - b. establishing the penalties to be imposed upon a licensee for failure to comply with the continuing education requirements,
 - c. designating the Private Security Advisory Committee to assist the Council in establishing the criteria for determining the qualifications of proposed continuing education programs that would be submitted to the Council for accreditation to meet this requirement, and
 - d. providing that the expense of such continuing education shall be paid by the licensee participating therein; and
 - e. establishing a refresher course for a security guard,

 armed security guard or private investigator who has

 been inactive for five (5) or more years.

5. To grant a waiver of any training requirement, except firearms training which shall be required for an armed security guard license, if the applicant has completed not less than one (1) year of full-time employment as a security guard, armed security guard, private investigator, or law enforcement officer within a three-year period immediately preceding the date of application and the applicant provides sufficient documentation thereof as may be required by the Council;

- 6. To grant an applicant credit for fulfilling any prescribed course or courses of training, including firearms training, upon submission of acceptable documentation of comparable training. The Council may grant or refuse any such credit at its discretion;
- 7. To issue the licenses and identification cards provided for in the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act;
- 8. To investigate alleged violations of the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act or rules relating thereto and to deny, suspend, or revoke licenses and identification cards if necessary, or to issue notices of reprimand to licensees with or without probation under rules to be prescribed by the Council;
- 9. To investigate alleged violations of the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act by persons not licensed pursuant to such act and to impose administrative sanctions pursuant to rules or to seek an injunction pursuant to Section 1750.2A of this title;

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10. To provide all forms for applications, identification cards, and licenses required by the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act;
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- 11. To enter into reciprocal agreements with officials of other states;
- 12. To immediately suspend a license if a licensee's actions present a danger to the licensee or to the public, a family household member, or involve a crime against a minor; and
- 13. To require additional testing for continuation or reinstatement of a license if a licensee exhibits an inability to exercise reasonable judgment, skill, or safety.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 1750.3A, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1750.3A. A. Each applicant for an armed security guard license shall be administered any current standard form of the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory (MMPI), or other psychological evaluation instrument approved by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training, which shall be administered during the firearms training phase required by Section 1750.3 of this title. The security training school administering such instrument shall forward the response data to a psychologist licensed by the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists for evaluation. The licensed psychologist shall be of the applicant's choice. Applicants with comparable training shall complete the

psychological test and evaluation requirements prior to licensing.

It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to bear the cost of the psychological evaluation.

- B. If the licensed psychologist is unable to certify the applicant's psychological capability to exercise appropriate judgment, restraint, and self-control, after evaluating the data, the psychologist shall employ whatever other psychological measuring instruments or techniques deemed necessary to form a professional opinion. The use of any psychological measuring instruments or techniques shall require a full and complete written explanation to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training.
- C. 1. The psychologist shall forward a written psychological evaluation, on a form prescribed by the Council, to the Council within fifteen (15) days of the evaluation, even if the applicant is found to be psychologically at risk. The Council may utilize the results of the psychological evaluation for up to six (6) months from the date of the evaluation after which the applicant shall be reexamined. No person who has been found psychologically at risk in the exercise of appropriate judgment, restraint, or self-control shall reapply for certification until one (1) year from the date of being found psychologically at risk.
- 2. Any armed security guard or armed private investigator who has a break in license period that exceeds five (5) years must complete a new psychological evaluation in accordance with the

provisions of this section, notwithstanding subsection D of this
section.

- D. 1. Active peace officers who have been certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training shall be exempt from the provisions of this section.
- 2. Retired peace officers who have been certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training shall be exempt from the provisions of this section for a period of one year from retirement.
- 3. Retired peace officers who are not exempt from this section and who have previously undergone treatment for a mental illness, condition, or disorder which required medication or supervision, as defined by paragraph 7 of Section 1290.10 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes may apply for an armed security guard license only after three (3) years from the last date of treatment or upon presentation of a certified statement from a licensed physician stating that the person is either no longer disabled by any mental or psychiatric illness, condition, or disorder or that the person has been stabilized on medication for ten (10) years or more.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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