

1 AN ACT in relation to police training.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The State Police Act is amended by changing
5 Section 9 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2610/9) (from Ch. 121, par. 307.9)

7 Sec. 9. Appointment; qualifications.

8 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the
9 appointment of Department of State Police officers shall be
10 made from those applicants who have been certified by the
11 Board as being qualified for appointment. All persons so
12 appointed shall, at the time of their appointment, be not
13 less than 21 years of age, or 20 years of age and have
14 successfully completed 2 years of law enforcement studies at
15 an accredited college or university. Any person appointed
16 subsequent to successful completion of 2 years of such law
17 enforcement studies shall not have power of arrest, nor shall
18 he be permitted to carry firearms, until he reaches 21 years
19 of age. In addition, all persons so certified for
20 appointment shall be of sound mind and body, be of good moral
21 character, be citizens of the United States, have no criminal
22 records, possess such prerequisites of training, education
23 and experience as the Board may from time to time prescribe,
24 and shall be required to pass successfully such mental and
25 physical tests and examinations as may be prescribed by the
26 Board. Preference shall be given in such appointments to
27 persons who have honorably served in the military or naval
28 services of the United States. All appointees shall serve a
29 probationary period of 12 months from the date of appointment
30 and during that period may be discharged at the will of the
31 Director. However, the Director may in his or her sole

1 discretion extend the probationary period of an officer up to
2 an additional 6 months when to do so is deemed in the best
3 interest of the Department.

4 (a-5) Each person certified by the Department for
5 appointment as a Department of State Police officer and each
6 person serving as a Department of State Police officer must
7 receive training designed to educate the officer in how to
8 immediately respond to and investigate cases of domestic
9 violence and of sexual assault of adults and children and how
10 to recognize the victims of sexual assault and domestic
11 violence and how to approach and assist persons experiencing
12 domestic violence or sexual assault, including both victims
13 and batterers. The Department of State Police, in
14 consultation with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training
15 Standards Board, shall develop the training program described
16 in this subsection (a-5).

17 (b) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Act,
18 after July 1, 1977 and before July 1, 1980, the Director of
19 State Police may appoint and promote not more than 20 persons
20 having special qualifications as special agents as he deems
21 necessary to carry out the Department's objectives. Any such
22 appointment or promotion shall be ratified by the Board.

23 (c) During the 90 days following the effective date of
24 this amendatory Act of 1995, the Director of State Police may
25 appoint up to 25 persons as State Police officers. These
26 appointments shall be made in accordance with the
27 requirements of this subsection (c) and any additional
28 criteria that may be established by the Director, but are not
29 subject to any other requirements of this Act. The Director
30 may specify the initial rank for each person appointed under
31 this subsection.

32 All appointments under this subsection (c) shall be made
33 from personnel certified by the Board. A person certified by
34 the Board and appointed by the Director under this subsection

1 must have been employed by the Illinois Commerce Commission
2 on November 30, 1994 in a job title subject to the Personnel
3 Code and in a position for which the person was eligible to
4 earn "eligible creditable service" as a "noncovered
5 employee", as those terms are defined in Article 14 of the
6 Illinois Pension Code.

7 Persons appointed under this subsection (c) shall
8 thereafter be subject to the same requirements and procedures
9 as other State police officers. A person appointed under
10 this subsection must serve a probationary period of 12 months
11 from the date of appointment, during which he or she may be
12 discharged at the will of the Director.

13 This subsection (c) does not affect or limit the
14 Director's authority to appoint other State Police officers
15 under subsection (a) of this Section.

16 (Source: P.A. 92-313, eff. 1-1-02.)

17 Section 10. The Illinois Police Training Act is amended
18 by changing Section 7 as follows:

19 (50 ILCS 705/7) (from Ch. 85, par. 507)

20 Sec. 7. Rules and standards for schools. The Board shall
21 adopt rules and minimum standards for such schools which
22 shall include but not be limited to the following:

23 a. The curriculum for probationary police officers which
24 shall be offered by all certified schools shall include but
25 not be limited to courses of arrest, search and seizure,
26 civil rights, human relations, criminal law, law of criminal
27 procedure, vehicle and traffic law, traffic control and
28 accident investigation, techniques of obtaining physical
29 evidence, court testimonies, statements, reports, firearms
30 training, first-aid (including cardiopulmonary
31 resuscitation), handling of juvenile offenders, recognition
32 of mental conditions which require immediate assistance and

1 methods to safeguard and provide assistance to a person in
2 need of mental treatment, law of evidence, the hazards of
3 high-speed police vehicle chases with an emphasis on
4 alternatives to the high-speed chase, and physical training.
5 The curriculum shall include specific training in techniques
6 for immediate response to and investigation of cases of
7 domestic violence and of sexual assault of adults and
8 children and how to recognize the victims of sexual assault
9 and domestic violence and how to approach and assist persons
10 experiencing domestic violence or sexual assault, including
11 both victims and batterers. The curriculum for permanent
12 police officers shall include but not be limited to (1)
13 refresher and in-service training in any of the courses
14 listed above in this subparagraph, (2) advanced courses in
15 any of the subjects listed above in this subparagraph, (3)
16 training for supervisory personnel, and (4) specialized
17 training in subjects and fields to be selected by the board.

18 b. Minimum courses of study, attendance requirements and
19 equipment requirements.

20 c. Minimum requirements for instructors.

21 d. Minimum basic training requirements, which a
22 probationary police officer must satisfactorily complete
23 before being eligible for permanent employment as a local law
24 enforcement officer for a participating local governmental
25 agency. Those requirements shall include training in first
26 aid (including cardiopulmonary resuscitation).

27 e. Minimum basic training requirements, which a
28 probationary county corrections officer must satisfactorily
29 complete before being eligible for permanent employment as a
30 county corrections officer for a participating local
31 governmental agency.

32 f. Minimum basic training requirements which a
33 probationary court security officer must satisfactorily
34 complete before being eligible for permanent employment as a

1 court security officer for a participating local governmental
2 agency. The Board shall establish those training
3 requirements which it considers appropriate for court
4 security officers and shall certify schools to conduct that
5 training.

6 A person hired to serve as a court security officer must
7 obtain from the Board a certificate (i) attesting to his or
8 her successful completion of the training course; (ii)
9 attesting to his or her satisfactory completion of a training
10 program of similar content and number of hours that has been
11 found acceptable by the Board under the provisions of this
12 Act; or (iii) attesting to the Board's determination that the
13 training course is unnecessary because of the person's
14 extensive prior law enforcement experience.

15 Individuals who currently serve as court security
16 officers shall be deemed qualified to continue to serve in
17 that capacity so long as they are certified as provided by
18 this Act within 24 months of the effective date of this
19 amendatory Act of 1996. Failure to be so certified, absent a
20 waiver from the Board, shall cause the officer to forfeit his
21 or her position.

22 All individuals hired as court security officers on or
23 after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1996 shall
24 be certified within 12 months of the date of their hire,
25 unless a waiver has been obtained by the Board, or they shall
26 forfeit their positions.

27 The Sheriff's Merit Commission, if one exists, or the
28 Sheriff's Office if there is no Sheriff's Merit Commission,
29 shall maintain a list of all individuals who have filed
30 applications to become court security officers and who meet
31 the eligibility requirements established under this Act.
32 Either the Sheriff's Merit Commission, or the Sheriff's
33 Office if no Sheriff's Merit Commission exists, shall
34 establish a schedule of reasonable intervals for verification

1 of the applicants' qualifications under this Act and as
2 established by the Board.

3 (Source: P.A. 88-661, eff. 1-1-95; 89-685, eff. 6-1-97;
4 89-707, eff. 6-1-97.)