

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 SB2275

Introduced 2/10/2011, by Sen. John J. Millner

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

730 ILCS 5/3-14-1.5

Amends the Unified Code of Corrections. Provides that a parole agent or parole supervisor must receive training in the use of firearms initially at the Illinois Department of Corrections Parole Academy and be certified as having successfully completing the training by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board upon graduation of parole training at the Academy. Thereafter, the parole agent or supervisor must successfully complete firearms training required for his or her position with the Department of Corrections. Eliminates provision that the training shall be taken while off-duty. Eliminates requirement that the agent or supervisor must register the firearm with the Department of State Police and with any other local law enforcement agency that requires registration. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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

Section 5. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by changing Section 3-14-1.5 as follows:

6 (730 ILCS 5/3-14-1.5)

Sec. 3-14-1.5. Parole agents and parole supervisors; off-duty firearms. Subsections 24-1(a)(4) and 24-1(a)(10) and Section 24-1.6 of the Criminal Code of 1961 do not apply to parole agents and parole supervisors who meet the following conditions:

training in the use of firearms while off duty conducted by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board initially at the Illinois Department of Corrections Parole Academy and be certified as having successfully completing such training by the Board upon graduation of parole training at the Academy. Thereafter, the parole agent or supervisor must successfully complete the firearms training required for his or her position with the Department of Corrections. The Board shall determine the amount of such training and the course content for such training. The parole agent or parole supervisor shall requalify for the firearms training annually at a State range certified

- by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board. The expenses of such retraining shall be paid by the parole agent or parole supervisor and moneys for such requalification shall be expended at the request of the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board.
 - (2) The parole agent or parole supervisor shall purchase such firearm at his or her own expense and shall register the firearm with the Illinois Department of State Police and with any other local law enforcement agencies that require such registration.
 - (3) The parole agent or parole supervisor may not carry any Illinois Department of Corrections State issued firearm while off-duty. A person who violates this paragraph (3) is subject to disciplinary action by the Illinois Department of Corrections.
 - (4) Parole agents and supervisors who are <u>terminated</u> discharged from employment of the Illinois Department of Corrections shall no longer be considered law enforcement officials and all their rights as law enforcement officials shall be revoked permanently.
- (5) Definition. For the purposes of this Section,
 "terminated" means terminated from employment due to internal
 disciplinary matters and not due to retirement from the agency
 or department they represent. State parole agents and
 supervisors shall retain the right to exercise the ability of
 off-duty status after mandated retirement if agents and

- 1 <u>supervisors seek eligibility with the Retired Officer's Carry</u>
- 2 <u>Conceal Program which is supervised by the Illinois Law</u>
- 3 <u>Enforcement Training Standards Board.</u>
- 4 (Source: P.A. 96-230, eff. 1-1-10; revised 9-16-10.)
- 5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 6 becoming law.