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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1017 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend House Bill 1017 on page 6, by replacing lines 4 through 26 with the following: 3 "(f) Persons selected to grade candidates for promotion 4 5 during an assessment center process shall be impartial professionals who have undergone training to be certified 6 7 assessors. The training and certification requirements shall, at a minimum, provide that, to obtain and maintain 8 certification, assessors shall complete a course of basis 9 training, subscribe to a code of ethical conduct, complete 10 11 continuing education, and satisfy minimum activity levels. (g) The standards for certification shall be established by 12 13 a Joint Labor and Management Committee (JLMC) composed of 4 14 members: 2 members designated by the Executive Board of the 15 Illinois Fire Chief's Association (IFCA) and 2 members

designated by the Executive Board of the Associated Fire

Fighters of Illinois (AFFI). Members shall serve terms of one

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In developing certification standards the JLMC may seek the advice and counsel of professionals and experts and may appoint an advisory committee.

The JLMC's initial certification standards shall be submitted to the Office of the State Fire Marshall by January 1, 2008. The JLMC may provisionally certify persons who have prior experience as assessors on promotional examinations in the fire service. Effective January 1, 2009 only those persons who meet the certification standards developed by the JLMC and submitted to the Office of the State Fire Marshall may be selected to grade candidates on a subjective component of a promotional examination conducted under the authority of this Act.

The JLMC shall annually:

- (1) issue public notice offering persons who are interested in qualifying as certified assessors the opportunity to enroll in training; and
- (2) submit to the Office of the State Fire Marshall an amended list of persons who remain certified, are newly certified, or who are no longer certified.
 - (h) The Office of the State Fire Marshall shall support the program by adopting certifications standards based on those submitted by the JLMC and by establishing a roster of certified assessors composed of persons certified by the JLMC.
- Within 7 days after the request of either party, the Office

shall select at random from the roster of certified assessors a panel numbering not less than 1.5 times the number of assessors required. The parties may select assessors from the list provided by the Office. Within 7 days following the receipt of the list, the parties shall notify the Office of the assessors they have selected. Unless the parties agree on an alternate selection procedure, they shall alternatively strike names from the list provided by the Office until only the number of required assessors remain. A coin toss shall determine which party strikes the first name. If the parties fail to notify the Office in a timely manner of their selection of assessors, the Office shall appoint the assessors required from the roster of certified assessors.".