



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB2591

by Rep. John M. Cabello

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 705/8.1

from Ch. 85, par. 508.1

Amends the Illinois Police Training Act concerning certification by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board. Provides that if the certification is not completed during the initial 6-month period or under the 90-day extension, the applicant must wait one full calendar year before testing becomes available again under that same agency. Provides that if an applicant is hired with another department, that recruit must wait one full calendar year with the original department he or she tested with prior to a lateral transfer. Makes technical changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Police Training Act is amended by
5 changing Section 8.1 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 705/8.1) (from Ch. 85, par. 508.1)

7 Sec. 8.1. Full-time police and county corrections
8 officers.

9 (a) After January 1, 1976, no person shall receive a
10 permanent appointment as a law enforcement officer as defined
11 in this Act nor shall any person receive, after the effective
12 date of this amendatory Act of 1984, a permanent appointment as
13 a county corrections officer unless that person has been
14 awarded, within 6 ~~six~~ months of his or her initial full-time
15 employment, a certificate attesting to his or her successful
16 completion of the Minimum Standards Basic Law Enforcement and
17 County Correctional Training Course as prescribed by the Board;
18 or has been awarded a certificate attesting to his satisfactory
19 completion of a training program of similar content and number
20 of hours and which course has been found acceptable by the
21 Board under the provisions of this Act; or by reason of
22 extensive prior law enforcement or county corrections
23 experience the basic training requirement is determined by the

1 Board to be illogical and unreasonable.

2 If such training is required and not completed within the
3 applicable 6 ~~six~~ months, then the officer must forfeit his or
4 her position, or the employing agency must obtain a waiver from
5 the Board extending the period for compliance. Such waiver
6 shall be issued only for good and justifiable reasons, and ~~in~~
7 ~~no case~~ shall not extend more than 90 days beyond the initial 6
8 ~~six~~ months. If the certification is not completed during the
9 initial 6-month period or under the 90-day extension, the
10 applicant must wait one full calendar year before testing
11 becomes available again under that same agency. If an applicant
12 is hired with another department, that recruit must wait one
13 full calendar year with the original department he or she
14 tested with prior to a lateral transfer.

15 (b) No provision of this Section shall be construed to mean
16 that a law enforcement officer employed by a local governmental
17 agency at the time of the effective date of this amendatory
18 Act, either as a probationary police officer or as a permanent
19 police officer, shall require certification under the
20 provisions of this Section. No provision of this Section shall
21 be construed to mean that a county corrections officer employed
22 by a local governmental agency at the time of the effective
23 date of this amendatory Act of 1984, either as a probationary
24 county corrections or as a permanent county corrections
25 officer, shall require certification under the provisions of
26 this Section. No provision of this Section shall be construed

1 to apply to certification of elected county sheriffs.

2 (c) This Section does not apply to part-time police
3 officers or probationary part-time police officers.

4 (Source: P.A. 89-170, eff. 1-1-96; 90-271, eff. 7-30-97.)