

# SB2976



## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2015 and 2016

SB2976

Introduced 2/18/2016, by Sen. Chuck Weaver

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 705/8.2

Amends the Illinois Police Training Act. Provides that a person who has previously served as a full-time or part-time police officer in the State may be granted additional time in which to be enrolled and accepted into a Board-approved course and to obtain his or her certificate if it is within 36 months after the initial date of hire as a probationary part-time police officer in the State. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

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 8.2 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 705/8.2)

7 Sec. 8.2. Part-time police officers.

8 (a) A person hired to serve as a part-time police officer  
9 must obtain from the Board a certificate (i) attesting to his  
10 or her successful completion of the part-time police training  
11 course; (ii) attesting to his or her satisfactory completion of  
12 a training program of similar content and number of hours that  
13 has been found acceptable by the Board under the provisions of  
14 this Act; or (iii) attesting to the Board's determination that  
15 the part-time police training course is unnecessary because of  
16 the person's extensive prior law enforcement experience. A  
17 person hired on or after the effective date of this amendatory  
18 Act of the 92nd General Assembly must obtain this certificate  
19 within 18 months after the initial date of hire as a  
20 probationary part-time police officer in the State of Illinois.  
21 The probationary part-time police officer must be enrolled and  
22 accepted into a Board-approved course within 6 months after  
23 active employment by any department in the State. A person

1 hired on or after January 1, 1996 and before the effective date  
2 of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly must obtain  
3 this certificate within 18 months after the date of hire. A  
4 person hired before January 1, 1996 must obtain this  
5 certificate within 24 months after the effective date of this  
6 amendatory Act of 1995.

7 The employing agency may seek a waiver from the Board  
8 extending the period for compliance. A waiver shall be issued  
9 only for good and justifiable reasons, and the probationary  
10 part-time police officer may not practice as a part-time police  
11 officer during the waiver period. If training is required and  
12 not completed within the applicable time period, as extended by  
13 any waiver that may be granted, then the officer must forfeit  
14 his or her position. A person who has previously served as a  
15 full-time or part-time police officer in the State may be  
16 granted additional time in which to be enrolled and accepted  
17 into a Board-approved course and to obtain his or her  
18 certificate if it is within 36 months after the initial date of  
19 hire as a probationary part-time police officer in the State.

20 (b) (Blank).

21 (c) The part-time police training course referred to in  
22 this Section shall be of similar content and the same number of  
23 hours as the courses for full-time officers and shall be  
24 provided by Mobile Team In-Service Training Units under the  
25 Intergovernmental Law Enforcement Officer's In-Service  
26 Training Act or by another approved program or facility in a

1 manner prescribed by the Board.

2 (d) For the purposes of this Section, the Board shall adopt  
3 rules defining what constitutes employment on a part-time  
4 basis.

5 (Source: P.A. 92-533, eff. 3-14-02.)

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
7 becoming law.