

6517-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Commerce & Trade (originally sponsored by Senators Horn and Kastama)

Brief Description: Modifying training requirements for security guards.

SB 6517-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the director to adopt rules establishing preassignment or postassignment or on-the-job training and testing requirements.

Declares that, except as provided under provisions of this act, beginning July 1, 2005, all security guards licensed on or after July 1, 2005, must complete at least eight hours of preassignment training. Preassignment training must include a minimum of four hours of classroom instruction, and a minimum of four additional hours that may be of classroom training, on-the-job training, or any combination of the two. A department certified trainer must report the preassignment training to the department.

Provides that any person who was most recently employed full-time as a sworn peace officer not more than five years prior to applying to become licensed as a private security guard may be deemed to satisfy the training required under this act upon passage of the examination typically administered to applicants at the conclusion of the preassignment training required.

Provides that, beginning July 1, 2005, all security guards must complete at least eight hours of postassignment or on-the-job training.

Provides that postassignment or on-the-job training must be in the topic areas established by the director and may occur either in a classroom setting or in the field, or both. A department certified trainer need not report postassignment or on-the-job training. However, a department-certified trainer must attest in writing that the training occurred. The number of postassignment training hours must be increased by one hour on January 1st of every year until January 1, 2012.

Provides that the director shall require companies to maintain records regarding the postassignment training hours completed by each employee. All such records are subject to inspection by the department. The training requirements and test results must be recorded and attested to as appropriate by a certified trainer.

Gives the director the authority to negotiate reciprocity agreements with other states allowing licensed security officers from Washington to work in those other states.