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AN ACT

To repeal section 590.030, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to peace officer license requirements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 590.030, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 590.030, to read as follows:

590.030. 1. The POST commission shall establish minimum standards for the basic training of peace officers. Such standards may vary for each class of license established pursuant to subsection 2 of section 590.020.

- 2. The director shall establish minimum age, citizenship, and general education requirements and may require a qualifying score on a certification examination as conditions of eligibility for a peace officer license. Such general education requirements shall require completion of a high school program of education under chapter 167 or obtainment of a General Educational Development (GED) certificate.
 - 3. The director shall provide for the licensure, with or without additional basic training, of peace officers possessing credentials by other states or jurisdictions, including federal and military law enforcement officers.
- 4. The director shall establish a procedure for obtaining a peace officer license and shall issue the proper license when the requirements of this chapter have been met.
 - 5. As conditions of licensure, all licensed peace officers shall:
- 15 (1) Obtain continuing law enforcement education pursuant to rules to be promulgated by the POST commission; [and]
 - (2) Maintain a current address of record on file with the director; and

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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(3) Submit to being fingerprinted on or before January 1, 2022, and at any time a peace officer is commissioned with a different law enforcement agency, for the purposes of a criminal history background check and enrollment in the state and federal Rap Back programs, pursuant to section 43.540. Rap Back enrollment shall be for the purpose of the requirements of subsection 3 of section 590.070 and subsection 2 of section 590.118. The criminal history background check shall include the records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The resulting report shall be forwarded to the officer's commissioning law enforcement agency at the time of enrollment.

6. A peace officer license shall automatically expire if the licensee fails to hold a commission as a peace officer for a period of five consecutive years, provided that the POST commission shall provide for the relicensure of such persons and may require retraining as a condition of eligibility for relicensure, and provided that the director may provide for the continuing licensure, subject to restrictions, of persons who hold and exercise a law enforcement commission requiring a peace officer license but not meeting the definition of a peace officer pursuant to this chapter.

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