

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for
2 Senate Bill No. 834, Page 19, Section 589.565, Line 19, by inserting after all of said section and line
3 the following:
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5 "590.060. 1. The POST commission shall establish minimum standards for training
6 instructors and training centers, and the director shall establish minimum qualifications for
7 admittance into a basic training course.

8 2. The director shall license training instructors, centers, and curricula, and may probate,
9 suspend and revoke such licenses upon written notice stating the reasons for such action. Any
10 person aggrieved by a decision pursuant to this subsection may appeal as provided in chapter 536.

11 3. Each person seeking entrance into a basic training program shall submit a fingerprint card
12 and authorization for a criminal history background check to include the records of the Federal
13 Bureau of Investigation to the training center where such person is seeking entrance. The training
14 center shall cause a criminal history background check to be made and shall cause the resulting
15 report to be forwarded to the director. The person seeking entrance may be charged a fee for the
16 cost of this procedure.

17 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no law enforcement agency or political
18 subdivision empowered by law to maintain a law enforcement agency shall contract with any public
19 or private entity to provide law enforcement training unless the entity's instructors and curriculum
20 have been approved by the department of public safety.

21 590.1070. 1. There is hereby established within the department of public safety the "Peace
22 Officer Basic Training Tuition Reimbursement Program". Any moneys appropriated by the general
23 assembly for this program shall be used to provide tuition reimbursement for:

24 (1) Qualifying Missouri residents who have paid tuition at a state licensed basic law
25 enforcement training center for the basic law enforcement training required for a peace officer
26 license in this state and who have been employed as a full-time peace officer in this state for a
27 specified period; and

28 (2) Qualifying government entities that have paid tuition for an employee to receive the
29 basic law enforcement training required for a peace officer license in this state at a licensed basic
30 law enforcement training center when such employee has been employed as a full-time peace officer

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1 for a specified period.

2 2. The Missouri POST Commission shall be the administrative agency for the
3 implementation of the tuition reimbursement program established under this section, and shall:

4 (1) Prescribe the form and the time and method of awarding tuition reimbursement under
5 this section and shall supervise the processing thereof; and

6 (2) Select qualifying recipients to receive reimbursement under this section and determine
7 the manner and method of payment to the recipient.

8 3. To be eligible to receive tuition reimbursement under subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of
9 this section, a person shall:

10 (1) Be initially employed as a peace officer on or after September 1, 2022;

11 (2) Submit to the commission an initial application for tuition reimbursement, and annually
12 thereafter for each year of qualifying employment, in the manner and on a form prescribed by the
13 commission that requires:

14 (a) Employer verification of the person's employment as a full-time peace officer in this
15 state for at least one year and the person's current employment as a peace officer in this state as of
16 the date of the application;

17 (b) A transcript containing the person's basic police training coursework and his or her date
18 of graduation; and

19 (c) A statement of the total amount of tuition the applicant paid to the basic training center
20 for his or her basic training;

21 (3) Be currently employed, and have completed at least one year of employment, as a full-
22 time peace officer in this state; and

23 (4) Comply with any other requirements adopted by the commission under this section.

24 4. To be eligible to receive tuition reimbursement under subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of
25 this section, a government entity shall:

26 (1) Be the employer of a peace officer who was initially employed on or after September 1,
27 2022;

28 (2) Submit to the commission an initial application for tuition reimbursement, and annually
29 thereafter for each year of the employee's qualifying employment, up to four years, in the manner
30 and on a form prescribed by the commission that requires:

31 (a) Verification of the employee's full-time employment as a peace officer in this state for at
32 least one year and the employee's current employment as a peace officer in this state as of the date
33 of the application;

34 (b) A transcript containing the employee's basic police training coursework and his or her
35 date of graduation; and

36 (c) A statement of the total amount of tuition and fees the employer paid to the basic
37 training center for the employee's basic training;

38 (3) Certify that the employee is currently employed, and has completed at least one year of
39 employment, as a full-time peace officer in this state; and

1 (4) Comply with any other requirements adopted by the commission under this section.

2 5. Tuition reimbursement granted under this section, subject to the availability of funds,
3 shall be reimbursed as follows:

4 (1) At the end of one year of continuous employment as a full-time peace officer, an
5 applicant or his or her employer, whichever applies, shall be eligible to receive reimbursement for
6 twenty-five percent of the total tuition paid to a licensed basic training center;

7 (2) At the end of two, three, and four years of continuous qualifying employment as a full-
8 time peace officer, and submission of documents verifying continued full-time employment as a
9 peace officer, an applicant or his or her employer, whichever applies, shall be eligible to receive
10 reimbursement each year for twenty-five percent of the total tuition paid to a licensed basic training
11 center. A government entity may qualify for tuition reimbursement under this subdivision for
12 tuition paid for an employee even if such person is no longer employed by the government entity as
13 long as the person for whom tuition was paid is still continuously employed as a full-time peace
14 officer.

15 6. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the total amount of tuition
16 reimbursement provided under this section to an eligible person, or to a government entity with
17 respect to an employee, shall not exceed six thousand dollars per person or employee.

18 7. The department of public safety shall promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for
19 the administration of the program. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section
20 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it
21 complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section
22 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the
23 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and
24 annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any
25 rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2022, shall be invalid and void.

26 590.1075. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Peace Officer Basic Training
27 Tuition Reimbursement Fund", which shall consist of moneys appropriated annually by the general
28 assembly from general revenue and any gifts, bequests, or donations. The state treasurer shall be
29 custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may
30 approve disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and, upon appropriation, moneys in the
31 fund shall be used solely for the administration of section 590.1070. Notwithstanding the provisions
32 of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall
33 not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the
34 fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such
35 investments shall be credited to the fund."; and

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37 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
38 accordingly.