FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1371

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMISON.

AN ACT

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

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Section A. Section 590.030, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu
2 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
2 training of peace officers. Such standards may vary for each class of license established
3 pursuant to subsection 2 of section 590.020.
4   2. The director shall establish minimum age**[, citizenship,]** and general education
5 requirements and may require a qualifying score on a certification examination as conditions
6 of eligibility for a peace officer license. Such general education requirements shall require
7 completion of a high school program of education under chapter 167 or obtainment of a
8 General Educational Development (GED) certificate.
9   3. The director shall provide for the licensure, with or without additional basic
10 training, of peace officers possessing credentials by other states or jurisdictions, including
11 federal and military law enforcement officers.
12   4. The director shall establish a procedure for obtaining a peace officer license and
13 shall issue the proper license when the requirements of this chapter have been met.
14   5. As conditions of licensure, all licensed peace officers shall:
15   (1) Obtain continuing law enforcement education pursuant to rules to be promulgated
16 by the POST commission;
17   (2) **Be legally authorized to work in the United States under federal law;**

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.

18   **(3)** Maintain a current address of record on file with the director; and

19   **[(3)] (4)** Submit to being fingerprinted on or before January 1, 2022, and at any time a
20   peace officer is commissioned with a different law enforcement agency, for the purposes of a
21   criminal history background check and enrollment in the state and federal Rap Back
22   programs, pursuant to section 43.540. The criminal history background check shall include
23   the records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The resulting report shall be forwarded to
24   the officer's commissioning law enforcement agency at the time of enrollment and Rap Back
25   enrollment shall be for the purpose of the requirements of subsection 3 of section 590.070 and
26   subsection 2 of section 590.118. An officer shall take all necessary steps to maintain
27   enrollment in Rap Back at all law enforcement agencies where the officer is commissioned
28   for as long as the officer is commissioned with a law enforcement agency or that agency.

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

36   7. All law enforcement agencies shall enroll in the state and federal Rap Back
37   programs on or before January 1, 2022, and continue to remain enrolled. The law
38   enforcement agency shall take all necessary steps to maintain officer enrollment for all
39   officers commissioned with that agency in the Rap Back programs. An officer shall submit to
40   being fingerprinted at any law enforcement agency upon commissioning and for as long as
41   the officer is commissioned with that agency.

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