

1-1 By: Frazier (Senate Sponsor - Alvarado) H.B. No. 3424
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 15, 2023;
1-3 May 16, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal
1-4 Justice; May 21, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;
1-6 May 21, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 3424 By: Flores

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the eligibility and training requirements for
1-20 commissioned security officers and personal protection officers.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 1702.163, Occupations Code, is amended
1-23 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (h) to read as
1-24 follows:

1-25 (a) An applicant employed by a company license holder is not
1-26 eligible for a security officer commission unless the applicant
1-27 submits as part of the application satisfactory evidence that the
1-28 applicant has:

1-29 (1) completed the basic training course at a school or
1-30 under an instructor approved by the department;

1-31 (2) met each qualification established by this chapter
1-32 and administrative rule;

1-33 (3) achieved the score required by the department on
1-34 the examination under Section 1702.1685; ~~and~~

1-35 (4) demonstrated to the satisfaction of the firearm
1-36 training instructor that the applicant has complied with other
1-37 department standards for minimum marksmanship competency with a
1-38 handgun; and

1-39 (5) provided proof of completion by and the results of
1-40 the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory test for the
1-41 applicant.

1-42 (h) The commission by rule shall require an applicant for a
1-43 security officer commission to complete the Minnesota Multiphasic
1-44 Personality Inventory test. The department may use the results of
1-45 the test to evaluate the applicant's psychological fitness.

1-46 SECTION 2. Sections 1702.1675(a) and (g), Occupations Code,
1-47 are amended to read as follows:

1-48 (a) The commission shall establish a basic training course
1-49 for commissioned security officers. The course must include, at a
1-50 minimum:

1-51 (1) general security officer training issues;

1-52 (2) classroom instruction on handgun proficiency and
1-53 self-defense tactics; and

1-54 (3) range instruction on handgun proficiency.

1-55 (g) The handgun proficiency and self-defense course must
1-56 include at least 10 hours and not more than 15 hours of in-person
1-57 instruction with an on-site instructor approved by the department
1-58 on:

1-59 (1) the laws that relate to weapons and to the use of
1-60 deadly force;

- 2-1 (2) handgun use, proficiency, and safety;
- 2-2 (3) nonviolent dispute resolution; ~~and~~
- 2-3 (4) proper storage practices for handguns, with an
- 2-4 emphasis on storage practices that eliminate the possibility of
- 2-5 accidental injury to a child; and
- 2-6 (5) self-defense tactics.

2-7 SECTION 3. Section 1702.1685(a), Occupations Code, is
2-8 amended to read as follows:

2-9 (a) The proficiency examination required to obtain or renew
2-10 a security officer commission must include:

- 2-11 (1) a written section on the subjects listed in
- 2-12 Sections 1702.1675(g)(1)-(4) [~~Section 1702.1675(g)~~]; and
- 2-13 (2) a physical demonstration of handgun proficiency
- 2-14 that meets the minimum standards established under Section
- 2-15 1702.1675(h) or (i).

2-16 SECTION 4. Section 1702.205(b), Occupations Code, is
2-17 amended to read as follows:

- 2-18 (b) The training required by this section:
- 2-19 (1) must be provided in-person; and
- 2-20 (2) is in addition to the basic training course for
- 2-21 security officers.

2-22 SECTION 5. A person who holds a security officer commission
2-23 issued under Chapter 1702, Occupations Code, on January 1, 2024,
2-24 and applies to renew the commission on or after January 1, 2024,
2-25 shall provide to Department of Public Safety, at the time of the
2-26 person's first renewal of the commission on or after that date,
2-27 proof of completion and the results of the Minnesota Multiphasic
2-28 Personality Inventory psychological test taken by the person. The
2-29 department may use the results of the test to evaluate the
2-30 applicant's psychological fitness.

2-31 SECTION 6. Section 1702.163(a), Occupations Code, as
2-32 amended by this Act, applies only to an application for a security
2-33 officer commission submitted on or after January 1, 2024. An
2-34 application for a security officer commission submitted before
2-35 January 1, 2024, is governed by the law in effect immediately before
2-36 the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in
2-37 effect for that purpose.

2-38 SECTION 7. (a) Section 1702.1675, Occupations Code, as
2-39 amended by this Act, applies only to a basic training course for
2-40 commissioned security officers that begins on or after January 1,
2-41 2024. A basic training course for commissioned security officers
2-42 that begins before January 1, 2024, is governed by the law in effect
2-43 immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former
2-44 law is continued in effect for that purpose.

2-45 (b) Not later than January 1, 2024, the Public Safety
2-46 Commission shall update the basic training course for commissioned
2-47 security officers to comply with Section 1702.1675, Occupations
2-48 Code, as amended by this Act.

2-49 SECTION 8. Section 1702.205, Occupations Code, as amended
2-50 by this Act, applies only to a personal protection officer training
2-51 course that begins on or after January 1, 2024. A personal
2-52 protection officer training course that begins before January 1,
2-53 2024, is governed by the law in effect immediately before the
2-54 effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in
2-55 effect for that purpose.

2-56 SECTION 9. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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