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SENATE, No. 826

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1984 SESSION

By Senators ORECHIO and HIRKALA

AN ACT establishing a Crime Prevention ****[Coordinating Council]**** ***Advisory Committee and a crime prevention resource center***, amending ***and supplementing*** P. L. 1961, c. 56^{**}, *supplementing chapter 2 of Title 53 of the Revised Statutes,*^{**} and making an appropriation.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. Section 6 of P. L. 1961, c. 56 (C. 52:17B-71) is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 6. The commission is vested with the power, responsibility and
4 duty:

5 a. To prescribe standards for the approval and continuation of
6 approval of schools at which police training courses authorized
7 by this act and in-service police training course shall be conducted,
8 including but not limited to present existing regional, county,
9 municipal and police chiefs association police training schools;

10 b. To approve and issue certificates of approval to such schools,
11 to inspect such schools from time to time, and to revoke any
12 approval or certificate issued to such school;

13 c. To prescribe the curriculum, the minimum courses of study,
14 attendance requirements, equipment and facilities, and standards
15 operation for such schools ****[, except that courses]**** **. Courses* of*
16 *study in crime prevention* ****[shall]**** ***may*** be ****[approved]****
17 **recommended to the Police Training Commission* by the Crime*
18 *Prevention* ****[Coordinating Council in the Department of Law and**
19 *Public Safety]*** ***Advisory Committee***, established by P. L.

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

Matter printed in italics *thus* is new matter.

Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

*—Senate committee amendments adopted March 1, 1984.

**—Senate amendments adopted in accordance with Governor's recommendations November 29, 1984.

20 , c. ... (C.) (now pending before the Legisla-
 21 ture as Senate Bill No. 826 of 1984)***[** and**]*** *. The Police Training
 21A Commission* may prescribe psychological and psychiatric examina-
 21B tions for police recruits while in such schools;

22 d. To prescribe minimum qualifications for instructors at such
 23 schools and to certify, as qualified, instructors for approved police
 24 training schools and to issue appropriate certificates to such in-
 25 structors;

26 e. To certify police officers who have satisfactorily completed
 27 training programs and to issue appropriate certificates to such
 28 police officers;

29 f. To appoint an executive secretary, to serve at its pleasure,
 30 who shall perform general administrative functions, and to fix his
 31 compensation;

32 g. To employ such other persons as may be necessary to carry
 33 out the provisions of this act, and to fix their compensation;

34 h. To make such rules and regulations as may be reasonably
 35 necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes and objec-
 36 tives of this act;

37 i. To make a continuous study of police training methods and
 38 to consult and accept the cooperation of any recognized federal
 39 or State law enforcement agency or educational institution;

40 j. To consult and cooperate with universities, colleges and in-
 41 stitutes in the State for the development of specialized courses of
 42 study for police officers in police science and police administration;

43 k. To consult and cooperate with other departments and agencies
 44 of the State concerned with police training;

45 l. To participate in unified programs and projects relating to
 46 police training sponsored by any federal, State, or other public
 47 or private agency;

48 m. To perform such other acts as may be necessary or appro-
 49 priate to carry out its functions and duties as set forth in this act;

50 n. To extend the time limit for satisfactory completion of police
 51 training programs upon a finding that health, extraordinary work-
 52 load or other factors have, singly or in combination, effected a delay
 53 in the satisfactory completion of such training programs;

54 o. To furnish approved schools, for inclusion in their regular
 55 police training courses and curriculum with information concerning
 56 the advisability of high speed chases, the risk caused thereby, and
 57 the benefits resulting therefrom.

1 2. (New section) There is created ***in the Police Training Com-*
 2 *mission*** in the Department of Law and Public Safety a Crime
 3 Prevention ****[Coordinating Council]**** ***Advisory Committee*

4 *comprised*** of 14 members. The ****[council]**** ***committee***
 4A shall consist of: the Attorney General, who shall be chairman of the
 4B ****[council]**** ***committee***, or his designee; the Commissioner
 5 of the Department of Community Affairs or his designee; the
 6 Commissioner of the Department of Commerce and Economic De-
 7 velopment or his designee; the Commissioner of Education or his
 8 designee; the Director of the Division of Criminal Justice in the
 9 Department of Law and Public Safety; the Superintendent of State
 10 Police; a representative of the Police Training Commission; a
 11 representative of the New Jersey Crime Prevention Officers' As-
 12 sociation; a representative of the New Jersey State Association of
 13 Chiefs of Police; a representative of the National Crime Preven-
 14 tion Council; and four citizens of the State to be appointed by the
 15 Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, one of whom
 16 shall represent a public utility company, one of whom shall repre-
 17 sent the insurance industry, and one of whom shall represent the
 18 banking industry. The four members appointed by the Governor
 19 shall serve for terms of three years, except that of the four mem-
 20 bers initially appointed by the Governor, one shall be appointed
 21 for a term of one year, one shall be appointed for a term of two
 22 years, and two shall be appointed for terms of three years.

23 Members shall be eligible for reappointment to the council, and
 24 vacancies in the ****[council]**** ***committee*** shall be filled in the
 25 same manner as the original appointment but for the unexpired
 26 term only. ***The statutory members of the Crime Prevention*
 27 *Advisory Committee who are also statutory voting members of*
 28 *the Police Training Commission shall be nonvoting members of the*
 29 *Crime Prevention Advisory Committee.***

30 The members of the ****[council]**** ***committee*** shall serve
 31 without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary ex-
 32 penses actually incurred in the performance of their duties as
 33 required by this act.

1 3. (New section) The ****[council]**** ***committee*** shall be en-
 2 titled to call to its assistance and avail itself of the services of
 3 ****[whatever]**** ***the*** employees of ***the Police Training Com-*
 4 *mission*** ****[the State and political subdivisions of the State as it**
 5 **may require and as may be available to it for the purpose, and to**
 6 **employ whatever professional, stenographic, and clerical assistants**
 7 **and]**** ***the committee may*** incur whatever traveling and other
 8 miscellaneous expenses as it may deem necessary in order to per-
 9 form its duties, within the limits of funds appropriated or other-
 10 wise made available to it.

1 4. (New section) The ****[council]**** ***committee*** shall ****[have**
 1A the following duties:

2 a. To ****[establish]**** *recommend* standards for ****[and to**
 3 approve]** training programs in crime prevention to be offered to
 4 law enforcement officers at schools approved and authorized by the
 5 Police Training Commission ****[;]**** ***.*

6 ****[b. To establish standards for crime prevention programs in**
 7 municipal police departments;

8 c. To establish a crime prevention resource center within the
 9 Division of State Police in the Department of Law and Public
 10 Safety to provide materials, information and technical assistance
 11 throughout the State in the area of crime prevention;

12 d. To instruct municipal police departments in ways of obtain-
 13 ing and utilizing local financial support for crime prevention pro-
 14 grams in the municipality. ****]**

1 5. (New section) ****[Pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure**
 2 Act," P. L. 1968, c. 410 (C. 52:14B-1 et seq.), the Crime Prevention
 3 Coordinating Council shall adopt rules and regulations necessary
 4 to carry out the provisions of this act. ****]** ***There is established in*
 5 *the Division of State Police in the Department of Law and Public*
 6 *Safety a crime prevention resource center. The resource center*
 7 *shall:*

8 a. *Provide materials, information and technical assistance*
 9 *throughout the State in the area of crime prevention;*

10 b. *Recommend standards for Statewide crime prevention pro-*
 11 *grams and crime prevention programs in municipal police depart-*
 12 *ments; and*

13 c. *Instruct municipal police departments in ways of obtaining and*
 14 *utilizing federal, State and local financial support and grants for*
 15 *crime prevention programs in the municipality.*

1 6. ****[(New section) There is appropriated \$75,000.00 from the**
 2 General Fund to the Crime Prevention Coordinating Council for the
 3 purpose of implementing the provisions of this act. ****]** ***There is*
 4 *appropriated \$25,000.00 from the General Fund to the Division of*
 5 *State Police in the Department of Law and Public Safety for the*
 6 *purpose of implementing the provisions of this act. There is also*
 7 *appropriated \$10,000.00 from the General Fund to the Crime Pre-*
 8 *vention Advisory Committee in the Police Training Commission in*
 9 *the Department of Law and Public Safety for the purpose of imple-*
 10 *menting the provisions of this act.*

1 7. This act shall take effect on the ninety-first day after
 2 enactment.

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2 Act," P. L. 1968, c. 410 (C. 52:14B-1 et seq.), the Crime Prevention
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2 eral Fund to the Crime Prevention Coordinating Council for the
3 purpose of implementing the provisions of this act.

1 7. This act shall take effect on the ninety-first day after
2 enactment.

STATEMENT

The purpose of this bill is to create a Crime Prevention Coordinating Council in the Department of Law and Public Safety.

The council's duties would include establishing standards for training programs in crime prevention to be offered at police training schools in the State; establishing minimum standards for crime prevention programs in local police departments; creating a crime prevention resource center; and instructing local police departments on ways of obtaining and utilizing local financial resources from crime prevention programs.

The bill also amends the law that outlines the duties of the Police Training Commission, so that the Crime Prevention Coordinating Council and not the Police Training Commission would be responsible for approving the courses in crime prevention offered at schools approved by the Police Training Commission.

The Crime Prevention Coordinating Council would consist of 14 members: the Attorney General, who would be the chairman of the council; the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs; the Commissioner of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development; the Commissioner of Education; the Director of the Division of Criminal Justice; the Superintendent of State Police; a representative of the Police Training Commission; a representative of the New Jersey Crime Prevention Officers' Association, a representative of the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, a representative of the National Crime Prevention Council, a representative of a public utility company, a representative of the insurance industry, a representative of the banking industry, and one other citizen.

The bill appropriates \$75,000.00 to the council from the General Fund to implement the provisions of the act.

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SENATE LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND DEFENSE
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 826

with Senate committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 1, 1984

The purpose of Senate Bill No. 826, as amended by the Senate Law, Public Safety and Defense Committee, is to create a Crime Prevention Coordinating Council in the Department of Law and Public Safety.

According to Senate Bill No. 826 as amended by the committee, the council's duties would include recommending standards for training programs in local police departments; creating a crime prevention re- in the State; establishing minimum standards for crime prevention programs in local police departments; creating a crime prevention re- source center; and instructing local police departments on ways of obtaining and utilizing local financial resources for crime prevention programs.

The bill also amends the law that outlines the duties of the Police Training Commission so that the Crime Prevention Coordinating Coun- cil would recommend to the Police Training Commission courses in crime prevention offered at schools approved by the Police Training Commission.

The Crime Prevention Coordinating Council would consist of 14 members: the Attorney General, who would be the chairman of the council; the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs; the Commissioner of the Department of Commerce and Economic De- velopment; the Commissioner of Education; the Director of the Division of Criminal Justice; the Superintendent of State Police; a representa- tive of the Police Training Commission, a representative of the New Jersey Crime Prevention Officers' Association; a representative of the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police; a representative of the National Crime Prevention Council; a representative of a public utility company; a representative of the insurance industry; a repre- sentative of the banking industry; and one other citizen.

The bill appropriates \$75,000.00 to the council from the General Fund to implement the provisions of the act.

The Senate Law, Public Safety and Defense Committee amended Senate Bill No. 826 so that the Crime Prevention Coordinating Council would recommend to the Police Training Commission courses of study in crime prevention offered at schools approved by the Police Training Commission. As originally written, Senate Bill No. 826 would have given the authority to approve these courses, which is now granted to the Police Training Commission by law, adopted by this amendment in order to preserve the Police Training Commission's authority regarding the training of police officers and in order to eliminate the potential duplication of effort that would have resulted from giving two entities in the Department of Law and Public Safety authority over different aspects of the training of police officers.

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June 25, 1984

SENATE BILL NO. 826 (OCR)

To the Senate:

Pursuant to Article V, Section I, Paragraph 14 of the Constitution, I am returning Senate Bill No. 826 (OCR) with my objections, for reconsideration.

The purpose of this bill is to create a Crime Prevention Coordinating Council which would recommend standards for training programs in crime prevention to be offered at police training schools in the State and to recommend the curriculum, the minimum courses of study, attendance requirements, and minimum qualifications for instructors and programs in local police departments. It will also create a crime prevention resource center and instruct local police departments on ways of obtaining and utilizing local financial resources or crime prevention programs. This bill appropriates \$75,000.00 to the council from the General Fund to implement the provisions of the act.

While I strongly support the standardization of training for our police forces across the State and the increased training of our officers in order to insure that the citizens of New Jersey continue to be served and protected by the best and most professional police forces in the country, I am opposed to creating another level of bureaucracy by creating another council concerning training police officers for crime prevention. Presently, the Police Training Commission (PTC), established in the Department of Law and Public Safety has the power, responsibility and duty to prescribe the schools, curriculum, and minimum courses of study, to be used in the training of policemen at county and municipal levels. This is provided for in our statutes in section 6 of P.L. 1961, c. 56 (C. 52:17B-71).

If created, the Crime Prevention Coordinating Council would have the responsibility for recommending courses, standards, and training programs concerning crime prevention to the Police Training Commission. It is unnecessary to have two council's duplicate efforts, staff and finances to accomplish the same goal. Another responsibility the Crime Prevention Coordinating Council would have is that of creating a crime prevention resource center. A part of the resource center's duties would be to instruct local police departments on ways of obtaining and utilizing local financial resources

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for crime prevention programs in municipalities and to provide materials, information and technical assistance throughout the State in the area of crime prevention.

Both of these tasks could be accomplished by the existing Police Training Commission. Not only can these responsibilities be accomplished in the PTC, they can be accomplished within the existing administrative structure saving countless dollars which would be needed to staff, house and organize a Crime Prevention Coordinating Council. This bill appropriates \$75,000 from the General Fund to enable the Crime Prevention Coordinating Council to implement the provisions of this act. The PTC could accomplish the goals intended by this act without the costs associated with creating another council. While I do not believe we need to create another council in State government, I whole-heartedly support the concepts behind this bill. I therefore propose that an advisory committee be established in the PTC to accomplish the same features of this bill and that \$10,000 be appropriated to enable them to establish the committee. By creating an advisory committee located within the PTC, there would be little expense generated by this bill, and the PTC would remain the coordinating body for all police training courses in the State. Another reason for creating an advisory committee within the PTC is that seven of the fourteen members of the proposed Crime Prevention Coordinating Council are already members of the PTC.

While I stated above that the PTC has sought the establishment of a crime prevention resource center and could accomplish these responsibilities, the current charter of the PTC is to prescribe schools, curriculum, and minimum courses of study to be used in training policemen in the State. It does not provide technical assistance to police departments. Such assistance is provided to police departments by the State Police through the State Police Academy in Sea Girt. I feel the State Police Academy would be better suited to act as a clearing house for crime prevention information to be made available to municipal police departments. I therefore propose that the crime prevention resource center be established in the Division of the State Police and that \$25,000.00 be appropriated to enable them to establish the center.

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Therefore, I herewith return Senate Bill No. 826 (OCR) and recommend that it be amended as follows:

Page 1, Title, Line 1: After "Prevention" Delete "Coordinating Council" and Insert "Advisory Committee and a crime prevention resource center"

Page 1, Title, Line 2: After "amending" Insert "and supplementing" After "c.56" Insert ", supplementing chapter 2 of Title 53 of the Revised Statutes,"

Page 1, Section 1, Line 16: Delete "shall" Insert "may"

Page 1, Section 1, Line 17-18: Delete "Coor- dinating Council in the Department of Law and Public Safety" Insert "Advisory Committee"

Page 2, Section 2, Line 1-2: After "created" Insert "in the Police Training Commission"

Page 2, Section 2, Line 2: Delete "Coordinating Council" Insert "Advisory Committee compromised"

Page 2, Section 2, Line 3: Delete "council" Insert "committee"

Page 2, Section 2, Line 4: Delete "council" Insert "committee"

Page 3, Section 2, Line 24: Delete "council" Insert "committee"

Page 3, Section 2, Line 25: After "." Insert "The statutory members of the Crime Prevention Advisory Committee who are also statutory voting members of the Police Training Commission shall be nonvoting members of the Crime Prevention Advisory Committee."

Page 3, Section 2, Line 26: Delete "council" Insert "committee"

Page 3, Section 3, Line 1: Delete "council" Insert "committee"

Page 3, Section 3, Line 2: Delete "whatever", Insert "the", after "employees of" Insert "the Police Training Commission."

Page 3, Section 3, Line 3-5: Delete lines 3 and 4 entirely and "ever professional, stenographic, and clerical assistants and" on line 5 Insert "The committee may"

Page 3, Section 4, Line 1-2: Delete "council" Insert "committee" Delete "have the following duties: a. To"

Page 3, Section 4, Line 5: Delete ";" Insert "."

Page 3, Section 4, Lines 6-14: Delete entire lines

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Page 4, Section 5, Lines 1-4: After "(New section)" Delete remainder of section, Insert "There is established in the Division of State Police in the Department of Law and Public Safety a crime prevention resource center. The resource center shall:

- a. Provide materials, information and technical assistance throughout the State in the area of crime prevention;
- b. Recommend standards for: Statewide crime prevention programs and crime prevention programs in municipal police departments; and
- c. Instruct municipal police departments in ways of obtaining and utilizing federal, State and local financial support and grants for crime prevention programs in the municipality."

Page 4, Section 6, Lines 1-3: After "6." Delete remainder of section, Insert "There is appropriated \$25,000.00 from the General Fund to the Division of State Police in the Department of Law and Public Safety for the purpose of implementing the provisions of this act. There is also appropriated \$10,000 from the General Fund to the Crime Prevention Advisory Committee in the Police Training Commission in the Department of Law and Public Safety for the purpose of implementing the provisions of this act."

/s/ Thomas H. Kean
GOVERNOR

[seal]

Attest:

/s/ W. Cary Edwards

Chief Counsel