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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JANUARY 18, 1971

By Senators RINALDO and McDERMOTT

Referred to Committee on Law, Public Safety and Defense

AN ACT to amend "An act relating to training of policemen prior to permanent appointment; appointments in certain municipal and county law enforcement agencies; establishing a police training commission; and providing an appropriation therefor," approved June 3, 1961 (P. L. 1961, c. 56).

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

1 1. Section 2 of P. L. 1961, c. 56 (C. 52:17B-67) is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 2. As used in this act:

4 "Approved school" shall mean a school approved and authorized
5 by the Police Training Commission to give a police training course
6 as prescribed in this act.

7 "Commission" shall mean the Police Training Commission or
8 officers or employees thereof acting on its behalf.

9 "County" shall mean any county which within its jurisdiction
10 has or shall have a law enforcement unit as defined in this act.

11 "Law enforcement unit" shall mean any police force or organiza-
12 tion in a municipality or county which has by statute or ordinance,
13 the responsibility of detecting crime and enforcing the general
14 criminal laws of this State.

15 "Municipality" shall mean a city of any class, township, borough,
16 village, camp meeting association, or any other type of municipality
17 in this State which, within its jurisdiction, has or shall have a
18 law enforcement unit as defined in this act.

19 "Permanent appointment" shall mean an appointment having
20 permanent status as a police officer in a law enforcement unit as
21 prescribed by Title 11, Revised Statutes, Civil Service Rules and
22 Regulations, or of any other law of this State, municipal ordinance,
23 or rules and regulations adopted thereunder.

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

24 "Police officer" shall mean any employee of a law enforcement
 25 unit, *including sheriffs' officers*, other than civilian heads thereof,
 26 assistant prosecutors and legal assistants, special investigators in
 27 the office of the county prosecutor as defined by statute, persons
 28 appointed pursuant to the provisions of R. S. 40:47-19, [and]
 29 persons whose duties do not include any police function, *court*
 30 *attendants and county correction officers.*

1 2. Section 3 of P. L. 1961, c. 56 (C. 52:17B-68) is amended to
 2 read as follows:

3 3. Every municipality *and county* shall authorize attendance at
 4 an approved school by persons holding a probationary appointment
 5 as a police officer, and every municipality *and county* shall require
 6 that no person shall hereafter be given or accept a permanent
 7 appointment as a police officer unless such person has successfully
 8 completed a police training course at an approved school; provided,
 9 however, that the commission may, in its discretion, except from
 10 the requirements of this section any person who demonstrates to
 11 the commission's satisfaction that he has successfully completed
 12 a police training course conducted by any Federal, State or other
 13 public or private agency, the requirements of which are sub-
 14 stantially equivalent to the requirements of this act.

1 3. 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 con-
 8 ducted, including but not limited to present existing regional,
 9 county, municipal and police chiefs association police training
 10 schools;

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

14 c. To prescribe the curriculum, the minimum courses of study,
 15 attendance requirements, equipment and facilities, and standards
 16 of operation for such schools, and [to] *may* prescribe *psycho-*
 17 *logical and psychiatric examinations for police recruits while in*
 17A *such schools;*

18 d. To prescribe minimum qualifications for instructors at such
 19 schools and to certify, as qualified, instructors for approved police
 20 training schools and to issue appropriate certificates to such
 21 instructors;

22 e. To certify police officers who have satisfactorily completed
23 training programs and to issue appropriate certificates to such
24 police officers;

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

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

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

33 i. To make a continuous study of police training methods and
34 to consult and accept the cooperation of any recognized Federal
35 or State law enforcement agency or educational institution;

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

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

41 l. To participate in unified programs and projects relating to
42 police training sponsored by any Federal, State, or other public
43 or private agency;

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

1 4. This act shall take effect immediately.