SENATE BILL No. 419

As Act concerning law enforcement; relating to special agents of the department of corrections; the commission on peace officers' standards and training; Kansas law enforcement training act; amending K.S.A. 74-5602 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. The secretary of corrections may, with the consent of the director of police training, designate an employee of the department other than a special agent, to attend the law enforcement training center or any training school certified pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5604a, and amendments thereto, or to attend courses provided by the training center or training schools. The employee and the department of corrections shall be provided a transcript of the courses successfully completed by the employee.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 74-5602 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-5602. As used in the Kansas law enforcement training act:
(a) "Training center" means the law enforcement training center within the university of Kansas, created by K.S.A. 74-5603, and amendments thereto.
(b) "Commission" means the Kansas commission on peace officers' standards and training, created by K.S.A. 74-5606, and amendments thereto, or the commission's designee.
(c) "Chancellor" means the chancellor of the university of Kansas, or the chancellor's designee.
(d) "Director of police training" means the director of police training at the law enforcement training center.
(e) "Director" means the executive director of the Kansas commission on peace officers' standards and training.
(f) "Law enforcement" means the prevention or detection of crime and the enforcement of the criminal or traffic laws of this state or of any municipality thereof.
(g) "Police officer" or "law enforcement officer" means a full-time or part-time salaried officer or employee of the state, a county or a city, whose duties include the prevention or detection of crime and the enforcement of the criminal or traffic laws of this state or of any municipality thereof. Such terms shall include, but not be limited to: The sheriff, undersheriff and full-time or part-time salaried deputies in the sheriff's office in each county; deputy sheriffs deputized pursuant to K.S.A. 19-2858, and amendments thereto; conservation officers of the Kansas department of wildlife, parks and tourism; university police officers, as defined in K.S.A. 22-2401a, and amendments thereto; campus police officers, as defined in K.S.A. 22-2401a, and amendments thereto; law enforcement agents of the director of alcoholic beverage control; law enforcement agents designated by the secretary of revenue pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 75-5157, and amendments thereto; law enforcement agents of the Kansas lottery; law enforcement agents of the Kansas racing commission; deputies and assistants of the state fire marshal having law enforcement authority; capitol police, existing under the authority of K.S.A. 75-4503, and amendments thereto; special investigators of the juvenile justice authority; special agents of the department of corrections; special investigators designated by the secretary of labor; and law enforcement officers appointed by the adjutant general pursuant to K.S.A. 48-204, and amendments thereto. Such terms shall also include railroad policemen appointed pursuant to K.S.A. 66-524, and amendments thereto; school security officers designated as school law enforcement officers pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6146, and amendments thereto; the manager and employees of the horsethief reservoir benefit district pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 82a-2212, and amendments thereto; and the director of the Kansas commission on peace officers' standards and training and any other employee of such commission designated by the director pursuant to
K.S.A. 74-5603, and amendments thereto, as a law enforcement officer. Such terms shall not include any elected official, other than a sheriff, serving in the capacity of a law enforcement or police officer solely by virtue of such official's elected position; any attorney-at-law having responsibility for law enforcement and discharging such responsibility solely in the capacity of an attorney; any employee of the commissioner of juvenile justice who is employed solely to perform correctional, administrative, or operational duties related to juvenile correctional facilities; any employee of the secretary of corrections, other than a special agent; any employee of the secretary for children and families; any deputy conservation officer of the Kansas department of wildlife, parks and tourism; or any employee of a city or county who is employed solely to perform correctional duties related to jail inmates and the administration and operation of a jail; or any full-time or part-time salaried officer or employee whose duties include the issuance of a citation or notice to appear provided such officer or employee is not vested by law with the authority to make an arrest for violation of the laws of this state or any municipality thereof, and is not authorized to carry firearms when discharging the duties of such person's office or employment. Such term shall include any officer appointed or elected on a provisional basis.

(b) "Full-time" means employment requiring at least 1,000 hours of law enforcement related work per year.

(i) "Part-time" means employment on a regular schedule or employment which requires a minimum number of hours each payroll period, but in any case requiring less than 1,000 hours of law enforcement related work per year.

(j) "Misdemeanor crime of domestic violence" means a violation of domestic battery as provided by K.S.A. 21-3412a, prior to its repeal, or K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 21-5414, and amendments thereto, or any other misdemeanor under federal, municipal or state law that has as an element the use or attempted use of physical force, or the threatened use of a deadly weapon, committed against a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a "dating relationship" or is a "family or household member" as defined in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 21-5414, and amendments thereto, at the time of the offense.

(k) "Auxiliary personnel" means members of organized nonsalaried groups who operate as an adjunct to a police or sheriff's department, including reserve officers, posses and search and rescue groups.

(l) "Active law enforcement certificate" means a certificate which attests to the qualification of a person to perform the duties of a law enforcement officer and which has not been suspended or revoked by action of the Kansas commission on peace officers' standards and training and has not lapsed by operation of law as provided in K.S.A. 74-5622, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 74-5602 is hereby repealed.
Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above Bill originated in the Senate, and passed that body

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President of the Senate.

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Secretary of the Senate.

Passed the House ___________________________

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Speaker of the House.

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Chief Clerk of the House.

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Governor.