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LEGISLATIVE BILL 253

Introduced by Brewer, 43.

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Committee: Judiciary

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training
- 2 Center; to amend sections 81-1402, 81-1404, 81-1414.03, 81-1414.05,
- 3 and 81-1414.06, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for
- 4 another location for the center; to provide for administrators; to
- 5 harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 81-1402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 81-1402 (1) There is hereby created the Nebraska Law Enforcement
4 Training Center under the supervision and control of the council.

5 (2) The purposes of the training center shall be to (a) ~~(1)~~ test all
6 law enforcement candidates on behalf of the council to ensure that they
7 meet pre-certification and certification requirements, (b) ~~(2)~~ oversee
8 and monitor other training schools and training academies to ensure that
9 pre-certification and certification requirements as set by the council
10 are being met, and (c) ~~(3)~~ conduct pre-certification programs,
11 certification programs, and advanced law enforcement training programs as
12 directed by the council.

13 (3) The training center shall have two locations at which all of the
14 services prescribed by sections 81-1401 to 81-1414.19 are provided. One
15 of the locations shall be in Grand Island, Nebraska, and the other
16 location shall be in Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

17 Sec. 2. Section 81-1404, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
18 amended to read:

19 81-1404 (1) The director of the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training
20 Center shall devote full time to the duties of the office and shall not
21 engage in any other business or profession or hold any other state public
22 office. The director shall be responsible to the executive director of
23 the commission for the operation of the training center and the
24 conducting of training programs.

25 (2) The director of the training center shall:

26 (a) Appoint and remove for cause an administrator for each location
27 of the training center;

28 (b) ~~(1)~~ Appoint and remove for cause such employees as may be
29 necessary for the operation of the training center and delegate
30 appropriate powers and duties to them;

31 (c) ~~(2)~~ Conduct research for the purpose of evaluating and improving

1 the effectiveness of law enforcement training programs;

2 (d) ~~(3)~~ Consult with the council on all matters pertaining to
3 training schools, training academies, and continuing education;

4 (e) ~~(4)~~ Supervise the administration of the pre-certification
5 competency test;

6 (f) ~~(5)~~ Ensure that all council rules and regulations with respect
7 to law enforcement pre-certification, certification, continuing
8 education, and training requirements are implemented and complied with
9 and, in that capacity, act as the director of standards for the council;

10 (g) ~~(6)~~ Advise the council concerning the operation of the training
11 center, the requirements, as set by the council, for all training schools
12 and training academies, and the formulation of training policies and
13 regulations;

14 (h) ~~(7)~~ Issue diplomas to students who successfully complete the
15 prescribed basic course of study; and

16 (i) ~~(8)~~ Maintain continuing education records in a central registry.

17 Sec. 3. Section 81-1414.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
18 amended to read:

19 81-1414.03 The cost of planning and construction of the Scottsbluff
20 location of the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, excluding
21 interest on indebtedness of such building and facilities, shall not
22 exceed three million six hundred seventy-five thousand dollars plus the
23 amount of investment income received by the Nebraska Law Enforcement
24 Training Center Fund and by any of the bond or reserve funds established
25 in connection with the city of Scottsbluff ~~Grand Island~~ bond issue used
26 to finance such building and facilities.

27 Sec. 4. Section 81-1414.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
28 amended to read:

29 81-1414.05 The proceeds of the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training
30 Center Fund shall be expended by the commission, as and when appropriated
31 by the Legislature, and may ~~to~~ be used for the costs and payments to be

1 made by the State of Nebraska to the city of Grand Island or Scottsbluff
2 for the use by the state of such building or facility or portion thereof
3 and equipping the same.

4 Sec. 5. Section 81-1414.06, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
5 amended to read:

6 81-1414.06 It is the intent of the Legislature of Nebraska to
7 transfer appropriate to the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center Fund
8 an amount sufficient for the costs and payments to be made by the State
9 of Nebraska to the city of Grand Island or Scottsbluff for the lease by
10 the state of the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center including an
11 amount sufficient for operation and maintenance and lease payments
12 sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds issued by the
13 city of Grand Island or Scottsbluff to finance such building and to
14 maintain any required amounts in any bond and bond reserve funds.

15 Sec. 6. Original sections 81-1402, 81-1404, 81-1414.03, 81-1414.05,
16 and 81-1414.06, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.