

and/or reserves who by statute are required to have a bond, would be able to have a blanket bond, too, and it is (interruption).

SENATOR HIGGINS: Be covered under the same as the regular deputy sheriffs?

SENATOR CHIZEK: Yes.

SENATOR HIGGINS: My next question is this, do you reserve deputy sheriffs receive the same amount of training as a regular deputy sheriff?

SENATOR CHIZEK: They must go to a...

SENATOR HIGGINS: Do they just get the same amount of training as the regular sheriff's deputies.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Their full-time school is two weeks shorter but we must be certified by the state.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Okay, well, then the question I would have is, and I don't know whether you have thought this through or not, you could possibly be raising the cost of the bond? If the bonding company determines that there is a greater risk because the reserve deputies do not have the same amount of training, then they might say, well, they are a higher risk group, therefore, we will raise the entire blanket bond cost. Just something that I am asking you if you haven't checked out you might want to.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Well, those agencies that I have talked to...

SENATOR HIGGINS: Are you talking about bonding agencies?

SENATOR CHIZEK: No, I am talking about the Sheriffs Association and those communities who have dealt with their bonding agency. There have been cases in the past, Senator Higgins, where not realizing it, the local entity, for example, got a blanket bond and had been getting blanket bonds and not realize that they couldn't do it. When you asked me about training, in most areas...I am on your time.

SENATOR HIGGINS: You are on my time. I just wanted to know if the same training was given. I don't have any objections