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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to private security services;

3 amending s. 493.6303, F.S.; revising training

4 requirements for obtaining a Class "D" license;

5 requiring a minimum number of hours of training

6 in terrorism awareness or other training

7 prescribed by the Department of Agriculture and

8 Consumer Services; providing a timeframe for

9 submitting proof of having completed the

10 training; revising the number of training hours

11 required; providing an effective date.

13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

15 Section 1. Section 493.6303, Florida Statutes, is
16 amended to read:

17 493.6303 License requirements.--In addition to the
18 license requirements set forth elsewhere in this chapter, each
19 individual or agency shall comply with the following
20 additional requirements:

21 (1) Each agency or branch office shall designate a
22 minimum of one appropriately licensed individual to act as
23 manager, directing the activities of the Class "D" employees.

24 (2) An applicant for a Class "MB" license shall have 2
25 years of lawfully gained, verifiable, full-time experience, or
26 training in:

27 (a) Security work or related fields of work that
28 provided equivalent experience or training;

29 (b) Experience described in paragraph (a) for 1 year
30 and experience described in paragraph (c) for 1 year;

31 (c) No more than 1 year using:

1 1. Either college coursework related to criminal
2 justice, criminology, or law enforcement administration; or

3 2. Successfully completed law enforcement-related
4 training received from any federal, state, county, or
5 municipal agency; or

6 (d) Experience described in paragraph (a) for 1 year
7 and work in a managerial or supervisory capacity for 1 year.

8 (3) An applicant for a Class "M" license shall qualify
9 for licensure as a Class "MA" manager as outlined under s.
10 493.6203(2) and as a Class "MB" manager as outlined under
11 subsection (2).

12 (4)(a) Effective January 1, 2006 ~~October 1, 1994~~, an
13 applicant for a Class "D" license must complete ~~have completed~~
14 a minimum of 44 ~~40~~ hours of professional training administered
15 by at a school or training facility licensed by the
16 department. The department shall by rule establish the general
17 content and number of hours of all the training. Such training
18 must include at least 8 hours of instruction in terrorism
19 awareness or other special training prescribed by the
20 department.

21 (b) An applicant may fulfill the training requirement
22 prescribed in paragraph (a) by submitting proof of:

23 1. Successful completion of the total number of
24 required ~~40~~ hours of training before initial application for a
25 Class "D" license; or

26 2. Successful completion of 24 hours of training
27 before initial application ~~for~~, and the remaining 16 hours of
28 training within 180 days after the date ~~upon~~ the first
29 application is submitted for renewal of, a Class "D" license.
30 If documentation of completion of the required training is not
31 submitted within the specified timeframe, the individual's

1 license is automatically suspended until such time as proof of
2 the required training is provided to the department. However,
3 Individuals licensed before October 1, 1994, or individuals
4 who have successfully completed 40 hours of professional
5 training before January 1, 2006, at a school or training
6 facility licensed by the department, are exempt from the
7 training requirements of paragraph (a) need not complete
8 additional training hours in order to renew their licenses.

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10 However, any person whose license has been revoked or whose
11 license has been expired for 1 year or longer is considered,
12 upon reapplication for a license, an initial applicant and
13 must submit proof of successful completion of the total number
14 of required ~~40~~ hours of professional training at a school or
15 training facility licensed by the department.

16 (5) An applicant for a Class "G" license shall satisfy
17 the firearms training outlined in s. 493.6115.

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

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21 SENATE SUMMARY

22 Requires an applicant for a Class "D" security license to
23 complete 8 additional hours of training in terrorism
24 awareness or other special training prescribed by the
25 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Requires
26 licensees to complete the training and submit proof of
27 completion to the department.
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