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Brief Description: Modifying training requirements for security guards.

**HB 2657 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Requires the director to adopt rules establishing preassignment or postassignment or on-the-job training and testing requirements. Eight hours of preassignment training is required, and shall include a minimum of four hours of classroom instruction and four hours of either classroom or on-the-job training, or both. A department certified trainer must report the preassignment training to the department. The director may establish, by rule, training requirements for private security guards.

Provides that postassignment or on-the-job training must include a minimum of eight hours of training, of which four hours must be completed within six months from the date a private security guard license is issued by the director and four hours completed within twelve months from the date a private security guard license is issued by the department.

Provides that postassignment or on-the-job training must be in the topic areas established by the director and may occur either in a classroom setting or in the field, or both. A department certified trainer need not report postassignment or on-the-job training. However, a department-certified trainer must attest in writing that the training occurred. The number of postassignment training hours must be increased by one hour on January 1st of every year until January 1, 2011.

Provides that the director shall require companies to maintain records regarding the postassignment training hours completed by each employee. All such records are subject to inspection by the department. The training requirements and test results must be recorded and attested to as appropriate by a certified trainer.

Gives the director the authority to negotiate reciprocity agreements with other states allowing licensed security officers from Washington to work in those other states.