

HB 1849.E - DIGEST

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/14/06)

Revises requirements for security guard training.

Finds that the functions served by private security companies and their employees provide important safety for the public and that changes in regulating this profession should be undertaken with a goal of promoting public safety. Therefore, the department of licensing shall undertake a review, using as a guide the requirements of chapter 18.118 RCW to the extent appropriate, of the following: (1) The need for annual postassignment training of private security guards that covers review and practice of security guard skills taught by department-certified trainers;

(2) Whether various levels of postassignment training may be appropriate for private security guards employed in various types of work, as listed in RCW 18.170.010(18), depending on their assigned duties;

(3) The need for private security companies to maintain records of postassignment training of private security guards and, if so, for what period of time; and

(4) The need for civil penalties to enforce compliance with the training requirements for private security guards.

Directs the department to report the results of the study and its recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature by January 1, 2007.