

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

**Act 793 of the Regular Session**

1 State of Arkansas  
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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 2070

5 By: Representatives Reynolds, Cooper, George, Harrelson, Hawkins, Lovell, Nix, Hoyt  
6 By: Senator Salmon  
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**For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 AN ACT CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON LAW  
11 ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

14 CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON  
15 LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-9-104, concerning the powers of the  
22 Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training, is amended to  
23 add additional subdivisions to read as follows:

24 (15) In consultation with the Arkansas Association of Chiefs of  
25 Police, develop and implement suggested selection and training requirements  
26 and nonmandatory basic and advanced levels of certification for chiefs of  
27 police; and

28 (16) In consultation with the Arkansas Sheriffs Association, develop  
29 and implement suggested training requirements and nonmandatory basic and  
30 advanced levels of certification for sheriffs.  
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32 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 12-9-106(a), concerning the Arkansas  
33 Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training, is amended to read as  
34 follows:

35 (a)(1) The Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and



1 Training shall provide, by ~~regulation~~ rule, that ~~no~~ a person shall not be  
2 appointed as a law enforcement officer, except on a temporary or probationary  
3 basis not to exceed one (1) year, unless the person has satisfactorily  
4 completed a preparatory program of police training at a school approved by  
5 the commission.

6 (2)(A) A law enforcement officer who lacks the education and  
7 training qualifications or background investigation required by the  
8 commission shall not have his or her temporary or probationary employment  
9 extended beyond one (1) year, by renewal of appointment or otherwise, unless  
10 extraordinary circumstances exist in the majority opinion of the executive  
11 body of the commission, ~~whereupon.~~

12 (B) If the executive body of the commission determines  
13 under subdivision (a)(2)(A) of this section that extraordinary circumstances  
14 exist, the commission may approve an extension of ~~probation~~ temporary or  
15 probationary employment for no more than an eight-month period.

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17 /s/ Reynolds

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