



POST Commission Meeting – Legislative Update & Bills of Interest February 2019

The 2019 Legislative session has begun with bills slowly being introduced. The last day to introduce any legislation for the current session is Friday, February 22. I expect an onslaught of legislation regarding various law enforcement issues to be introduced by this deadline.

The proposed budget money for POST will be heard in upcoming Budget Subcommittee hearings beginning on March 15. Until then we continue to answer questions from Department of Finance and the Legislative Analyst's Office.

Below are just a couple bills POST is currently monitoring. This list will expand as the session continues.

AB 165 (Gabriel): Peace officer training: gun violence restraining orders.

This bill would require the commission to develop and implement, on or before January 1, 2021, a course of training regarding gun violence restraining orders. The bill would require the course to be incorporated into the course or courses of basic training for law enforcement officers and dispatchers, on or before January 1, 2021, and would require the course or courses to include specified topics, including the process of filing a petition for gun violence restraining orders and situational training to assist officers in identifying when a gun violence restraining order is appropriate. The bill would require law enforcement officers, administrators, executives, and dispatchers who have completed basic training prior to January 1, 2021, to participate in supplementary training that includes these topics on or before December 31, 2023. By imposing additional training costs on local law enforcement agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

- *POST Staff has begun internal discussions on producing training to commence on or prior to 2021.*
- *This bill would affect the regular basic course and all current law enforcement.*
- *Have communicated to author's office that mandating training for "all officers" is excessive.*
- *This could be funded out of money received in Governor's Budget.*

AB 243 (Kamlager-Dove): Implicit Bias.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would address implicit bias in law enforcement. *Note: this is a placeholder bill with more detailed language expected.*

- *POST Staff met with the author to answer questions on training currently being provided in this subject area.*