



POST Legislative Update

As of May 12, 2020

The listed legislation in this document are legislative bills that could affect POST or law enforcement in general. Due to COVID-19 and the May Revision of the budget these bills may or may not move forward during this session.

For any questions on the legislative process or to receive a status update, please contact: POST Legislative Liaison, Meagan Catafi at (916) 227-2809 or Meagan.catafi@post.ca.gov.

AB 2236 (Gabriel D) Peace officer training: hate crimes.

Current law requires the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) to develop and implement a course of instruction and training for specified peace officers on the topic of hate crimes. Current law requires that training to be implemented into the basic course and requires, as specified, all state and local law enforcement agencies to provide the training to all peace officers they employ. This bill would require POST to develop and periodically update an interactive refresher course on hate crimes for in-service peace officers, and require specified peace officers to take the course every 5 years.

INFO: This bill is similar to AB 1052 (Chu) from the 2019-20 session.

AB 2591 (Ramos D) Peace officers: firearms: establishment serving public

Current law makes it a misdemeanor for an innkeeper or common carrier of passengers to refuse to receive or entertain any guest or to refuse to receive or carry any passenger without just cause or excuse. Current law makes it a misdemeanor to deny admittance to accommodations to a blind, deaf, or disabled person and that person's specially trained guide dog, signal dog, or service dog. This bill would make it unlawful for an establishment serving the public to prohibit or otherwise restrict a peace officer from carrying a weapon on the establishment's premises that the peace officer is authorized to carry, regardless of whether the peace officer is engaged in the actual discharge of the officer's duties while carrying the weapon.

AB 2616 (Gabriel D) Peace officer training: gun violence restraining orders

Would require the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training to develop and implement, on or before January 1, 2022, a course of training for those law enforcement officers 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 on or before January 1, 2022, and would require the course or courses to include specified topics, including the process of filing a petition for a gun violence restraining order and situational training to assist officers in identifying when a gun violence restraining order is appropriate.

INFO: This bill is similar to AB 165 (Gabriel) from the 2019-20 session.

AB 2833 (Lackey D) Domestic Violence: victim's information card

Current law requires law enforcement agencies to develop and implement written policies for officer responses to domestic violence incidents, including furnishing written notice to victims at the scene in the form of a Victims of Domestic Violence card that contains, among other information, telephone numbers for local hotlines, shelters, and counseling centers. This bill would

add the issuance of Victims of Domestic Violence cards as a topic in the course of instruction for the training of law enforcement officers.

AB 2917 **(McCarty D) Department of Justice: law enforcement policies on the use of deadly force.**
Would require the Attorney General, commencing on July 1, 2023, to create a program within the Department of Justice to review the policies on the use of deadly force of any law enforcement agency, as specified, that requests a review, and to make recommendations.

AB 3071 **(Mullin D) Lead ammunition: shooting ranges**
Would prohibit a sport shooting range or an indoor shooting range, as defined, from selling or giving away ammunition unless that ammunition is certified as nonlead ammunition by the commission. The bill would also prohibit patrons or employees of a sport shooting range or an indoor shooting range from firing ammunition unless it is nonlead certified and would require a sport shooting range and an indoor shooting range to post a specified sign to that effect.

AB 3341 **(Muratsuchi D) Public Employment: peace officers**
Current law requires peace officers in this state to meet specified minimum standards, including, among other requirements, being of good moral character, as determined by a thorough background investigation. This bill would require that the background investigation for determining moral character use standards defined by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training, as minimum guidelines, before the applicant may be employed or begin training as a peace officer. The bill would make related changes.
INFO: This bill is currently a placeholder bill and may change significantly.

SB 776 **(Skinner D) College admissions: criminal history inquiry: prohibition.**
Would prohibit a postsecondary educational institution in this state from inquiring about a prospective student's criminal history on an initial application form or at any time during the admissions process before the institution's final decision relative to the prospective student's application for admission. By imposing new duties on community college districts, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

SB 1089 **(Archuleta D) Law enforcement: training policies.**
Current law establishes the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training in the Department of Justice and requires the commission to adopt rules establishing minimum standards regarding the recruitment of peace officers. Existing law requires the commission to develop guidelines and implement courses of instruction regarding racial profiling, domestic violence, hate crimes, vehicle pursuits, and human trafficking, among others. Current law requires the commission to implement a course or courses of instruction for the regular and periodic training of law enforcement officers in the use of force. This bill would make a technical, non-substantive change to those provisions.

SB 1108 **(Hueso D) Senior and disability victimization.**
Would require that all local law enforcement agencies adopt a policy regarding senior and disability victimization on or before January 1, 2022, and to make the policy and all future updates and amendments available to the Department of Justice and, upon request, to the California Commission on Aging and the state protection and advocacy agency. By expanding the duties of local law enforcement, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

SB 1136 **(Gonzalez, Lena D)** **Peace officers: recruitment of women.**

Would require the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training to develop best practice recruiting recommendations and materials that include best practices for recruiting peace officers who are women, racial or ethnic minorities, and members of any other group currently underrepresented in law enforcement. The bill would require the commission to create and make available a guidebook or other material on best practices for peace officer recruitment for recruiting community-oriented officers, peace officers who are women, racial or ethnic minorities, and members of any other group currently underrepresented in law enforcement.

NOTE: This bill will be held until next session.

SB 1354 **(Hurtado D)** **Law enforcement agencies: public records**

Current law requires the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training and each local law enforcement agency to conspicuously post on their internet websites all current standards, policies, practices, operating procedures, and education and training materials that would otherwise be available to the public if a request was made pursuant to the California Public Records Act. This bill would require that information to be posted in English, Spanish, and any other language that is spoken by at least 5% of the population in the jurisdiction of that law enforcement agency.

SB 1377 **(Morrell R)** **Emergency vehicles: exhaust systems: exemptions.**

Current law generally requires a motor vehicle to be equipped with a motor vehicle pollution control device. Current law exempts specified emergency vehicles from this requirement. This bill would also exempt specified emergency vehicles used by a community college, police academy, fire academy, or similar facility solely for the training of emergency response personnel.

SB 1392 **(Bradford D)** **Peace officers: basic course of training**

Current law requires every peace officer to have satisfactorily completed an introductory training course prescribed by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. Current law requires each applicant for admission to a basic course of training certified by the commission that includes the carrying and use of firearms, who is not sponsored by a local or other law enforcement agency, or is not a peace officer, to submit written certification to the Department of Justice that the applicant has no criminal history background that would disqualify them from possessing a firearm. This bill would make technical, non-substantive changes to these provisions.

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Important Dates:

Jan. 6, 2020: Session began

February 21, 2020: Last day to introduce bills

August 21, 2020: Last day to amend bills

August 31, 2020: Last day for each house to pass bills

September 30, 2020: Final day for the Governor to sign or veto bills.