SB 114 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110 Implementation

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Makes an unlawful practice for private security entities to provide security services without obtaining a license for operation through the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST). Requires applicants for licensure as a private security entity to be covered by a general liability insurance policy, to maintain records of private security provider employees' training hours, and demonstrate the existence of a use of force and citizen arrest policies, unless the entity exclusively monitors alarm systems. Requires entities that employ armed private security professionals to ensure that firearm training required by DPSST involve a firearm of the make, model, and caliber in use by the private security professional. Becomes operative January 1, 2023.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

All persons who provide private security services must hold a certificate from the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST). Additionally, persons who serve as "executive managers" of a private security business must hold a separate license.

Senate Bill 114 requires private security businesses to obtain a license through DPSST. Applicants for licensure must be the principal owner or partner who exercises operational control and the entity must designate a licensed executive manager. Additionally, the applicant must have general liability insurance, maintain records of the training hours of private security professionals, and demonstrate that the entity has a use of force and citizen arrest policy. The measure also requires that entities employing armed private security professionals ensure that the firearm training required by DPSST involves a firearm of the make, model, and caliber that the professional will possess or have available in the course of their work.