

80B.13 Authority of council.

The council may:

1. Designate members to visit and inspect any law enforcement or jailer training schools, or examine the curriculum or training procedures, for which application for approval has been made.
2. Issue certificates to law enforcement training schools qualifying under the regulations of the council.
3. Issue certificates to law enforcement officers and jailers who have met the requirements of this chapter and rules adopted under chapter 17A relative to hiring and training standards.
4. Make recommendations to the governor, the attorney general, the commissioner of public safety and the legislature on matters pertaining to qualification and training of law enforcement officers and jailers and other matters considered necessary to improve law enforcement services and jailer training.
5. Cooperate with federal, state, and local enforcement agencies in establishing and conducting local or area schools, or regional training centers for instruction and training of law enforcement officers and jailers.
6. Direct research in the field of law enforcement and jailer training and accept grants for such purposes.
7. Accept applications for attendance of the academy from persons other than those required to attend.
8. Revoke a law enforcement officer's certification for the conviction of a felony or revoke or suspend a law enforcement officer's certification for a violation of rules adopted pursuant to section 80B.11, subsection 7. In addition the council may consider revocation or suspension proceedings when an employing agency recommends to the council that revocation or suspension would be appropriate with regard to a current or former employee. If a law enforcement officer resigns, the employing agency shall notify the council that an officer has resigned and state the reason for the resignation if a substantial likelihood exists that the reason would result in the revocation or suspension of an officer's certification for a violation of the rules.

A recommendation by an employing agency must be in writing and set forth the reasons why the action is being recommended, the findings of the employing agency concerning the matter, the action taken by the employing agency, and that the action by the agency is final. "*Final*", as used in this section, means that all appeals through a grievance procedure available to the officer or civil service have been exhausted. The written recommendations shall be unavailable for inspection by anyone except personnel of the employing agency, the council and the affected law enforcement officer, or as ordered by a reviewing court.

The council shall establish a process for the protest and appeal of a revocation or suspension made pursuant to this subsection.

9. In accordance with chapter 17A, conduct investigations, hold hearings, appoint hearing examiners, administer oaths and issue subpoenas enforceable in district court on matters relating to the revocation or suspension of a law enforcement officer's certification.
10. Secure the assistance of the state division of criminal investigation in the investigation of alleged violations, as provided under section 80.9, subsection 1, paragraphs "*c*" and "*g*", of the provisions adopted under section 80B.11.

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