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1 3 AN ACT  
1 4 RELATING TO THE TRAINING OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO INTENDS TO BECOME  
1 5 CERTIFIED AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

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1 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 9 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 80B.11D TRAINING.  
1 10 1. An individual who is not a certified law enforcement  
1 11 officer may apply for attendance at a short course of study at  
1 12 an approved law enforcement training program if such  
1 13 individual is sponsored by a law enforcement agency. Such  
1 14 individual may be sponsored by a law enforcement agency that  
1 15 either intends to hire or has hired the individual as a law  
1 16 enforcement officer.

1 17 2. An individual who submits an application pursuant to  
1 18 subsection 1 shall, at a minimum, meet all minimum hiring  
1 19 standards as established by academy rules, including the  
1 20 successful completion of certain psychological and physical  
1 21 testing examinations. In addition, such individual shall be  
1 22 of good moral character as determined by a thorough background  
1 23 investigation by the hiring law enforcement agency. The  
1 24 academy shall conduct the requisite testing and background  
1 25 investigation for a fee if the law enforcement agency does not  
1 26 do so, and for such purposes, the academy shall be defined as  
1 27 a law enforcement agency and shall have the authority to  
1 28 conduct a background investigation including a fingerprint  
1 29 search of local, state, and national fingerprint files.

1 30 3. An individual who submits an application pursuant to  
1 31 subsection 1 shall, at a minimum, submit proof of successful  
1 32 completion of a two-year or four-year police science or  
1 33 criminal justice program at an accredited educational  
1 34 institution in this state approved by the academy.

1 35 4. An individual shall not be granted permission to attend  
2 1 an approved law enforcement training program pursuant to  
2 2 subsection 1 if such acceptance would result in the  
2 3 nonacceptance of another qualifying applicant who is a law  
2 4 enforcement officer.

2 5 5. This section applies only to individuals who apply for  
2 6 certification through a short course of study as established  
2 7 by rule.

2 8 6. An individual who has not been hired by a law  
2 9 enforcement agency must be hired by a law enforcement agency  
2 10 within eighteen months of completing the short course of study  
2 11 in order to obtain certification pursuant to this section.

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2 16 MARY E. KRAMER  
2 17 President of the Senate

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2 21 CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS  
2 22 Speaker of the House

2 23 I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and  
2 24 is known as Senate File 352, Eightieth General Assembly.

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2 29 MICHAEL E. MARSHALL  
2 30 Secretary of the Senate

2 31 Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2003

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2 35 THOMAS J. VILSACK  
Governor