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A BILL FOR

1 An Act to establish a state training certification program for
2 certain private investigators and private security officers.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 80A.7, Code 1995, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 80A.7 IDENTIFICATION CARDS.

4 The department shall issue to each licensee and to each
5 employee of the licensee an identification card in a form
6 approved by the commissioner. The application for a permanent
7 identification card shall include a temporary identification
8 card valid for fourteen days from the date of receipt of the
9 application by the applicant. It is unlawful for an agency
10 licensed under this chapter to employ a person to act in the
11 private investigation business or private security business
12 unless the person has in the person's immediate possession an
13 identification card issued under this section.

14 The licensee is responsible for the use of identification
15 cards by the licensee's employees and shall return an
16 employee's card to the department upon termination of the
17 employee's service. Identification cards remain the property
18 of the department. The fee for each card is ten dollars.

19 The department may issue identification cards to
20 individuals fulfilling the requirements for a private security
21 guard, private investigator, a certified security officer, an
22 armed security officer, an armed private investigator, and an
23 armored car guard.

24 A private security guard and a private investigator may be
25 issued identification cards upon fulfillment of the
26 requirements of section 80A.4, subsection 1.

27 A certified security officer must complete departmental
28 requirements to be licensed as a security guard and also
29 successfully complete a certified security officer training
30 course as defined by the department. A certified security
31 officer shall not use firearms, but may use defensive weapons
32 and restraining devices in the line of duty, but only upon
33 completion of a course approved by the department in the use
34 of these weapons.

35 An armed security officer must be currently certified in

1 this state as a certified security officer and must have
2 successfully completed a firearms training program and have
3 qualified to a standard approved by the department which is
4 equivalent to the firearms training and standards of a peace
5 officer.

6 An armed private investigator must be currently licensed as
7 a private investigator and must have successfully completed a
8 firearms training program and have qualified to a standard
9 approved by the department which is equivalent to the firearms
10 training and standards of a peace officer. An armed private
11 investigator may use defensive weapons and restraining devices
12 in the line of duty, but only after completion of a course
13 approved by the department in the use of these weapons.

14 An armored car guard must complete departmental
15 requirements to be licensed as a security guard and must have
16 successfully completed a firearms training program and have
17 qualified to a standard approved by the department which is
18 equivalent to the firearms training and standards of a peace
19 officer.

20 A county sheriff may issue temporary identification cards
21 valid for fourteen days to a person employed by an agency
22 licensed as a private security business or private
23 investigation business on a temporary basis in the county.
24 The fee for each card is five dollars. The form of the
25 temporary identification cards shall be approved by the
26 commissioner.

27 Sec. 2. Section 80A.18, Code 1995, is amended to read as
28 follows:

29 80A.18 RECIPROCITY -- FEE.

30 A person who holds a valid license to act as a private
31 investigator, or-as-a private security officer guard,
32 certified security officer, armed security officer, armed
33 private investigator, or armored car guard issued by a proper
34 authority of another state, based on requirements and
35 qualifications similar to the requirements of this chapter,

1 may be issued a temporary permit to so act in this state, if
2 the person's licensing jurisdiction extends by reciprocity
3 similar privileges to a person licensed to act as a private
4 investigator or private security officer licensed by this
5 state. Any reciprocal agreement approved by the commissioner
6 shall provide that any misconduct in the state issuing the
7 temporary permit will be dealt with in the licensing
8 jurisdiction as though the violation occurred in that
9 jurisdiction.

10 The commissioner shall adopt by rule a fee for the issuance
11 of a temporary permit under this section. The fee shall be
12 based on the cost of administering this section but shall not
13 exceed one hundred dollars per year.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill provides for four additional categories of
16 licensees in the areas of private investigators and security
17 guards. The four new categories are certified security
18 officer, armed security officer, armed private investigator,
19 and armored car guard. The requirements for each category are
20 set out in the bill. Reciprocity language is expanded to
21 include the four new categories.

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