



**Senate Bill No. 898**

**Public Act No. 13-80**

**AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGES TO CERTAIN STATUTES AFFECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 29-161q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

(c) [Upon] Not later than two years after successful completion of the training required pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the applicant may submit an application for a license as a security officer on forms furnished by the commissioner and, under oath, shall give the applicant's name, address, date and place of birth, employment for the previous five years, experience in the position applied for, any convictions for violations of the law and such other information as the commissioner may require, by regulation, to properly investigate the character, competency and integrity of the applicant. Applicants shall submit with their application two sets of fingerprints of the employee and the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall require any applicant for a license under this section to submit to state and national criminal history records checks conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. Applicants shall submit with their

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application two sets of their fingerprints and two full-face photographs of them, two inches wide by two inches high, taken not earlier than six months prior to the date of application, and a one-hundred-dollar licensing fee, made payable to the state. Subject to the provisions of section 46a-80, no person shall be approved for a license who has been convicted of a felony, any sexual offense or any crime involving moral turpitude, or who has been refused a license under the provisions of sections 29-161g to 29-161x, inclusive, for any reason except minimum experience, or whose license, having been granted, has been revoked or is under suspension. Upon being satisfied of the suitability of the applicant for licensure, the commissioner may license the applicant as a security officer. Such license shall be renewed every five years for a one-hundred-dollar fee.

Sec. 2. Subsection (c) of section 17a-115a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

(c) No later than [fifteen] five calendar days after the date such name-based search is performed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the department shall request the State Police Bureau of Identification to perform a state and national criminal history records check in accordance with section 29-17a of any person residing in the home. Such criminal history records checks shall be deemed as required by this section for purposes of [said] section 29-17a and the department may request that such records checks be performed in accordance with subsection (c) of section 29-17a. The results of such criminal history records checks shall be provided to the department. If any person refuses to provide fingerprints or other positive identifying information for purposes of such checks when requested, the department shall immediately remove the child from the home.

Sec. 3. Section 29-12a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

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(a) The State Police Bureau of Identification may maintain the fingerprints of arrested persons received pursuant to section 29-12 and of persons who have submitted fingerprints in connection with a criminal history records check pursuant to section 29-17a in an electronic format in lieu of a paper format.

(b) Whenever the bureau converts fingerprints contained in its files from a paper format to an electronic format, it may destroy the paper copy of such fingerprints.

(c) On and after January 1, 2014, any organized local police department that has the capability to electronically capture the fingerprints of arrested persons under section 29-12 and the fingerprints of persons requesting a criminal history records check under section 29-17a shall submit such fingerprints electronically to the State Police Bureau of Identification.

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