



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 968***

LCO No. 3711



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:  
(PS)

***AN ACT REQUIRING BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR RENEWAL OF A SECURITY OFFICER LICENSE.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 29-161q of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
3 *2023*):

4 (c) Not later than two years after successful completion of the training  
5 required pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, or the waiver of such  
6 training, the applicant may submit an application for a license as a  
7 security officer on forms furnished by the commissioner and, under  
8 oath, shall give the applicant's name, address, date and place of birth,  
9 employment for the previous five years, experience in the position  
10 applied for, including military training and weapons qualifications, any  
11 convictions for violations of the law and such other information as the  
12 commissioner may require, by regulation, to properly investigate the  
13 character, competency and integrity of the applicant. The commissioner  
14 shall require any applicant for a license, or for renewal of a license,  
15 under this section to submit to state and national criminal history

16 records checks conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. Each  
17 applicant shall submit with the application two sets of his or her  
18 fingerprints on forms specified and furnished by the commissioner, two  
19 full-face photographs, two inches wide by two inches high, taken not  
20 earlier than six months prior to the date of application, and a one-  
21 hundred-dollar licensing fee, made payable to the state. Any applicant  
22 who received a waiver as provided in subsection (b) of this section shall  
23 be exempt from payment of such licensing fee. Subject to the provisions  
24 of section 46a-80, no person shall be approved for a license who has been  
25 convicted of a felony, any sexual offense or any crime involving moral  
26 turpitude, or who has been refused a license under the provisions of  
27 sections 29-161g to 29-161x, inclusive, for any reason except minimum  
28 experience, or whose license, having been granted, has been revoked or  
29 is under suspension. Upon being satisfied of the suitability of the  
30 applicant for licensure, the commissioner may license the applicant as a  
31 security officer. Such license shall be renewed every five years for a one-  
32 hundred-dollar fee. The commissioner shall send a notice of the  
33 expiration date of such license to the holder of such license, by first class  
34 mail, not less than ninety days before such expiration, and shall enclose  
35 with such notice an application for renewal. The security officer license  
36 shall be valid for a period of ninety days after its expiration date unless  
37 the license has been revoked or is under suspension pursuant to section  
38 29-161v. An application for renewal filed with the commissioner after  
39 the expiration date shall be accompanied by a late fee of twenty-five  
40 dollars. The commissioner shall not renew any license that has been  
41 expired for more than ninety days.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2023	29-161q(c)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require an applicant for renewal of a security officer license to submit to a state and national criminal history records check.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*