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Synopsis

AN ACT in relation to the regulation of professions.

Text

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

ARTICLE 5. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Section 5-5. Short title; Act supersedes the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993. This Act may be cited as the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 2004 and it supersedes the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993 repealed by this Act.

Section 5-10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

"Advertisement" means any printed material that is published in a phone book, newspaper, magazine, pamphlet, newsletter, or other similar type of publication that is intended to either attract business or merely provide contact information to the public for an agency or licensee. Advertisement shall include any material disseminated by printed or electronic means or media, but shall not include a licensee's or an agency's letterhead, business cards, or other stationery used in routine business correspondence or customary name, address, and number type listings in a telephone directory.

"Alarm system" means any system, including an electronic access control system, a surveillance video system, a security video system, a burglar alarm system, a fire alarm system, or any other electronic system, that activates an audible, visible, remote, or recorded signal that is designed for the protection or detection of intrusion, entry, theft, fire, vandalism, escape, or trespass.

"Armed employee" means a licensee or registered person who is employed by an agency licensed or an armed proprietary security force registered under this Act who carries a weapon while engaged in the performance of official duties within the course and scope of his or her employment during the hours and times the employee is scheduled to work or is commuting between his or her home or place of employment, provided that commuting is accomplished within one hour from departure from home or place of employment.

"Armed proprietary security force" means a security force made up of 5 or more armed individuals employed by a private, commercial, or industrial operation or one or more armed individuals employed by a financial institution as security officers for the protection of persons or property.

"Board" means the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Board.

"Branch office" means a business location removed from the place of business for which an agency license has been issued, including but not limited to locations where active employee records that are required to be maintained under this Act are kept, where prospective new employees are processed, or where members of the public are invited in to transact business. A branch office does not include an office or other facility located on the property of an existing client that is utilized solely for the benefit of that client and is not owned or leased by the agency.

"Corporation" means an artificial person or legal entity created by or under the authority of the laws of a state, including without limitation a corporation, limited liability company, or any other legal entity.

"Department" means the Department of Professional Regulation.

"Director" means the Director of Professional Regulation.

"Employee" means a person who works for a person or agency that has the right to control the details of the work performed and is not dependent upon whether or not federal or state payroll taxes are withheld.

"Fire alarm system" means any system that is activated by an automatic or manual device in the detection of smoke, heat, or fire that activates an audible, visible, or remote signal requiring a response.

"Firearm authorization card" means a card issued by the Department that authorizes the holder to carry a weapon during the performance of his or her duties as specified in this Act.

"Firm" means an unincorporated business entity, including but not limited to proprietorships and partnerships.

"Locksmith" means a person who engages in a business or holds himself out to the public as providing a service that includes, but is not limited to, the servicing, installing, originating first keys, re-coding, repairing, maintaining, manipulating, or bypassing of a mechanical or electronic locking device, access control or video surveillance system at premises, vehicles, safes, vaults, safe deposit boxes, or automatic teller machines.

"Locksmith agency" means a person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity that engages in the locksmith business and employs, in addition to the locksmith licensee-in-charge, at least one other person in conducting such business.

"Locksmith licensee-in-charge" means a person who has been designated by agency to be the licensee-in-charge of an agency, who is a full-time management employee or owner who assumes sole responsibility for maintaining all records required by this Act, and who assumes sole responsibility for assuring the licensed agency's compliance with its responsibilities as stated in this Act. The Department shall adopt rules mandating licensee-in-charge participation in agency affairs.

"Peace officer" or "police officer" means a person who, by virtue of office or public employment, is vested by law with a duty to maintain public order or to make arrests for offenses, whether that duty extends to all offenses or is limited to specific offenses. Officers, agents, or employees of the federal government commissioned by federal statute to make arrests for violations of federal laws are considered peace officers.

"Permanent employee registration card" means a card issued by the Department to an individual who has applied to the Department and meets the requirements for employment by a licensed agency under this Act.

"Person" means a natural person.

"Private alarm contractor" means a person who engages in a business that individually or through others undertakes, offers to undertake, purports to have the capacity to undertake, or submits a bid to sell, install, monitor, maintain, alter, repair, replace, or service alarm and other security-related systems or parts thereof, including fire alarm systems, at protected premises or premises to be protected or responds to alarm systems at a protected premises on an emergency basis and not as a full-time security officer. "Private alarm contractor" does not include a person, firm, or corporation that manufactures or sells alarm systems only from its place of business and does not sell, install, monitor, maintain, alter, repair, replace, service, or respond to alarm systems at protected premises or premises to be protected.

"Private alarm contractor agency" means a person, corporation, or other entity that engages in the private alarm contracting business and employs, in addition to the private alarm contractor-in-charge, at least one other person in conducting such business.

"Private alarm contractor licensee-in-charge" means a person who has been designated by an agency to be the licensee-in-charge of an agency, who is a full-time management employee or owner who assumes sole responsibility for maintaining all records required by this Act, and who assumes sole responsibility for assuring the licensed agency's compliance with its responsibilities as stated in this Act. The Department shall adopt rules mandating licensee-in-charge participation in agency affairs.

"Private detective" means any person who by any means, including but not limited to manual or electronic methods, engages in the business of, accepts employment to furnish, or agrees to make or makes investigations for a fee or other consideration to obtain information relating to:

- (1) Crimes or wrongs done or threatened against the United States, any state or territory of the United States, or any local government of a state or territory.
- (2) The identity, habits, conduct, business occupation, honesty, integrity, credibility, knowledge, trustworthiness, efficiency, loyalty, activity, movements, whereabouts, affiliations, associations, transactions, acts, reputation, or character of any person, firm, or other entity by any means, manual or electronic.
- (3) The location, disposition, or recovery of lost or stolen property.
- (4) The cause, origin, or responsibility for fires, accidents, or injuries to individuals or real or personal property.
- (5) The truth or falsity of any statement or representation.
- (6) Securing evidence to be used before any court, board, or investigating body.
- (7) The protection of individuals from bodily harm or death (bodyguard functions).
- (8) Service of process in criminal and civil proceedings without court order.

"Private detective agency" means a person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity that engages in the private detective business and employs, in addition to the licensee-in-charge, one or more persons in conducting such business.

"Private detective licensee-in-charge" means a person who has been designated by an agency to be the licensee-in-charge of an agency, who is a full-time management employee or owner who assumes sole responsibility for maintaining all records required by this Act, and who assumes sole responsibility for assuring the licensed agency's compliance with its responsibilities as stated in this Act. The Department shall adopt rules mandating licensee-in-charge participation in agency affairs.

"Private security contractor" means a person who engages in the business of providing a private security officer, watchman, patrol, or a similar service by any other title or name on a contractual basis for another person, firm, corporation, or other entity for a fee or other consideration and performing one or more of the following functions:

- (1) The prevention or detection of intrusion, entry, theft, vandalism, abuse, fire, or trespass on private or governmental property.
- (2) The prevention, observation, or detection of any unauthorized activity on private or governmental property.
- (3) The protection of persons authorized to be on the premises of the person, firm, or other entity for which the security contractor contractually provides security services.
- (4) The prevention of the misappropriation or concealment of goods, money, bonds, stocks, notes, documents, or papers.
- (5) The control, regulation, or direction of the movement of the public for the time specifically required for the protection of property owned or controlled by the client.
- (6) The protection of individuals from bodily harm or death (bodyguard functions).

"Private security contractor agency" means a person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity that engages in the private security contractor business and that employs, in addition to the licensee-in-charge, one or more persons in conducting such business.

"Private security contractor licensee-in-charge" means a person who has been designated by an agency to be the licensee-in-charge of an agency, who is a full-time management employee or owner who assumes sole responsibility for maintaining all records required by this Act, and who assumes sole responsibility for assuring the licensed agency's compliance with its responsibilities as stated in this Act. The Department shall adopt rules mandating licensee-in-charge participation in agency affairs.

"Public member" means a person who is not a licensee or related to a licensee, or who is not an employer or employee of a licensee. The term "related to" shall be determined by the rules of the Department.

Section 5-15. Legislative intent. The intent of the General Assembly in enacting this statute is to regulate persons, corporations, and firms licensed under this Act for the protection of the public. These practices are declared to affect the public health, safety, and welfare and are subject to State regulation and licensure. This Act shall be construed to carry out these purposes.

ARTICLE 10. GENERAL LICENSING PROVISIONS.

Section 10-5. Requirement of license.

(a) It is unlawful for a person to act as or provide the functions of a private detective, private security contractor, private alarm contractor, or locksmith or to advertise or to assume to act as any one of these, or to use these or any other title implying that the person is engaged in any of these activities unless licensed as such by the Department. An individual or sole proprietor who does not employ any employees other than himself or herself may operate under a "doing business as" or assumed name certification without having to obtain an agency license, so long as the assumed name is first registered with the Department.

(b) It is unlawful for a person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity to act as an agency licensed under this Act, to advertise, or to assume to act as a licensed agency or to use a title implying that the person, firm, or other entity is engaged in the practice as a private detective agency, private security contractor agency, private alarm contractor agency, or locksmith agency unless licensed by the Department.

(c) No agency shall operate a branch office without first applying for and receiving a branch office license for each location.

Section 10-10. General exemptions. This Act does not apply to any of the following:

(1) A person, firm, or corporation engaging in fire protection engineering, including the design, testing, and inspection of fire protection systems.

(2) The practice of professional engineering as defined in the Professional Engineering Practice Act of 1989.

(3) The practice of structural engineering as defined in the Structural Engineering Practice Act of 1989.

(4) The practice of architecture as defined in the Illinois Architecture Practice Act of 1989.

(5) The activities of persons or firms licensed under the Illinois Public Accounting Act if performed in the course of their professional practice.

(6) An attorney licensed to practice in Illinois while engaging in the practice of law.

(7) A person engaged exclusively and employed by a person, firm, association, or corporation in the business of transporting persons or property in interstate commerce and making an investigation related to the business of that employer.

Section 10-20. Application for license; forms.

(a) Each license application shall be on forms provided by the Department.

(b) Application for a license by endorsement shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Section 10-40.

(c) Every application for an original, renewal, or restored license shall include the applicant's Social Security number.

Section 10-25. Issuance of license; renewal; fees.

(a) The Department shall, upon the applicant's satisfactory completion of the requirements set forth in this Act and upon receipt of the fee, issue the license indicating the name and business location of the licensee and the date of expiration.

(b) An applicant may, upon satisfactory completion of the requirements set forth in this Act and upon receipt of fees related to the application and testing for licensure, elect to defer the issuance of the applicant's initial license for a period not longer than 6 years. An applicant who fails to request issuance of his or her initial license or agency license and to remit the fees required for that license within 6 years shall be required to resubmit an application together with all required fees.

(c) The expiration date, renewal period, and conditions for renewal and restoration of each license, permanent employee registration card, and firearm authorization card shall be set by rule. The holder may renew the license, permanent employee registration card, or firearm authorization card during the 30 days preceding its expiration by paying the required fee and by meeting conditions that the Department may specify. Any license holder who notifies the Department on forms prescribed by the Department may place his or her license on inactive status for a period of not longer than 6 years and shall, subject to the rules of the Department, be excused from payment of renewal fees until the license holder notifies the Department, in writing, of an intention to resume active status. Practice while on inactive status constitutes unlicensed practice. A non-renewed license that has lapsed for less than 6 years may be restored upon payment of the restoration fee and all lapsed renewal fees. A license that has lapsed for more than 6 years may be restored by paying the required restoration fee and all lapsed renewal fees and by providing evidence of competence to resume practice satisfactory to the Department and the Board, which may include passing a written examination. All restoration fees and lapsed renewal fees shall be waived for an applicant whose license lapsed while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States if application for restoration is made within 12 months after discharge from the service.

(d) Any permanent employee registration card expired for less than one year may be restored upon payment of lapsed renewal fees. Any permanent employee registration card expired for one year or more may be restored by making application to the Department and filing proof acceptable to the Department of the licensee's fitness to have the permanent employee registration card restored, including verification of fingerprint processing through the Department of State Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation and paying the restoration fee.

Section 10-30. Unlawful acts. It is unlawful for a licensee or an employee of a licensed agency:

(1) Upon termination of employment by the agency, to fail to return upon demand or within 72 hours of termination of employment any firearm issued by the employer together with the employee's firearm authorization card.

(2) Upon termination of employment by the agency, to fail to return within 72 hours of termination of employment any uniform, badge, identification card, or equipment issued, but not sold, to the employee by the agency.

(3) To falsify the employee's statement required by this Act.

(4) To have a badge, shoulder patch, or any other identification that contains the words "law enforcement". In addition, no license holder or employee of a licensed agency shall in any manner imply that the person is an employee or agent of a governmental agency or display a badge or identification card, emblem, or uniform citing the words "police", "sheriff", "highway patrol trooper", or "law enforcement".

Section 10-35. Examination of applicants; forfeiture of fee.

(a) Applicants for licensure shall be examined as provided by this Section if they are qualified to be examined under this Act. All applicants taking the examination shall be evaluated using the same standards as others who are examined for the respective license.

(b) Examinations for licensure shall be held at such time and place as the Department may determine, but shall be held at least twice a year.

(c) Examinations shall test the amount of knowledge and skill needed to perform the duties set forth in this Act and be in the interest of the protection of the public. The Department may contract with a testing service for the preparation and conduct of the examination.

(d) If an applicant neglects, fails, or refuses to take an examination within one year after filing an application, the fee shall be forfeited. However, an applicant may, after the one-year period, make a new application for examination, accompanied by the required fee. If an applicant fails to pass the examination within 3 years after filing an application, the application shall be denied. An applicant may make a new application after the 3-year period.

Section 10-40. Licensure by endorsement. The Department shall promulgate rules for licensure by endorsement without examination and may license under this Act upon payment of the fee an applicant who is registered or licensed under the laws of another state, territory, or country if the requirements for registration or licensure in the jurisdiction in which the applicant was licensed or registered were, at the date of his or her registration or licensure, substantially equal to the requirements then in force in Illinois and that state or country has similar requirements for licensure or registration by endorsement. Applicants have 3 years from the date of application to complete the application process. If the process has not been completed in 3 years, the application shall be denied, the fee forfeited, and the applicant must re-apply and meet the requirements in effect at the time of reapplication.

Section 10-45. Emergency care without a fee. A license holder, agency, or registered employee of a private security contractor, as defined in Section 5-10 of this Act, who in good faith provides emergency care without fee to any person or takes actions in good faith that directly relate to the employee's job responsibilities to protect people and property, as defined by the areas in which registered security officers receive training under Sections 20-20 and 25-20 shall not, as a result of his or her acts or omissions, except willful and wanton misconduct, in providing the care, be liable to a person to whom such care is provided for civil damages.

ARTICLE 15. PRIVATE DETECTIVES.

Section 15-5. Exemptions; private detective. The provisions of this Act relating to the licensure of private detectives do not apply to any of the following:

(1) An employee of the United States, Illinois, or a political subdivision of either while the employee is engaged in the performance of his or her official duties within the scope of his or her employment. However, any such person who offers his or her services as a private detective or uses a similar title when these services are performed for compensation or other consideration, whether received directly or indirectly, is subject to this Act.

(2) A person, firm, or other entity engaged exclusively in tracing and compiling lineage or ancestry who does not hold himself or herself out to be a private detective.

(3) A person engaged exclusively in obtaining and furnishing information as to the financial rating or creditworthiness of persons or a person who provides reports in connection with (i) consumer credit transactions, (ii) information for employment purposes, or (iii) information for the underwriting of consumer insurance.

(4) Insurance adjusters employed or under contract as adjusters who engage in no other investigative activities other than those directly connected with adjustment of claims against an insurance company or a self-insured entity by which they are employed or with which they have a contract. No insurance adjuster or company may use the term "investigation" or any derivative thereof, in its name or in its advertising.

Section 15-10. Qualifications for licensure as a private detective.

(a) A person is qualified for licensure as a private detective if he or she meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Is at least 21 years of age.

(2) Has not been convicted of any felony in any jurisdiction or at least 10 years have elapsed since the time of full discharge from a sentence imposed for a felony conviction.

(3) Is of good moral character. Good character is a continuing requirement of licensure. Conviction of crimes other than felonies may be used in determining moral character, but shall not constitute an absolute bar to licensure.

(4) Has not been declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be incompetent by reason of mental or physical defect or disease, unless a court has subsequently declared him or her to be competent.

(5) Is not suffering from dependence on alcohol or from narcotic addiction or dependence.

(6) Has a minimum of 3 years experience of the 5 years immediately preceding application working full-time for a licensed private detective agency as a registered private detective agency employee or with 3 years experience of the 5 years immediately preceding his or her application employed as a full-time investigator for a licensed attorney or in a law enforcement agency of a federal or state political subdivision, which shall include a state's attorney's office or a public defender's office. The Board and the Department shall approve such full-time investigator experience. An applicant who has a baccalaureate degree, or higher, in law enforcement or a related field or a business degree from an accredited college or university shall be given credit for 2 of the 3 years of the required experience. An applicant who has an associate degree in law enforcement or in a related field or in business from an accredited college or university shall be given credit for one of the 3 years of the required experience.

(7) Has not been dishonorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States or has not been discharged from a law enforcement agency of the United States or of any state or of any political subdivision thereof, which shall include a state's attorney's office, for reasons relating to his or her conduct as an employee of that law enforcement agency.

(8) Has passed an examination authorized by the Department.

(9) Submits his or her fingerprints, proof of having general liability insurance required under subsection (b), and the required license fee.

(10) Has not violated Section 10-5 of this Act.

(b) It is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain general liability insurance in an amount and coverage appropriate for the applicant's circumstances as determined by rule. The applicant shall provide evidence of insurance to the Department before being issued a license. Failure to maintain general liability insurance and to provide the Department with written proof of the insurance shall result in cancellation of the license.

Section 15-15. Qualifications for licensure as a private detective agency.

(a) Upon receipt of the required fee and proof that the applicant has a full-time Illinois licensed private detective-in-charge, which is a continuing requirement for agency licensure, the Department shall issue a license as a private detective agency to any of the following:

(1) An individual who submits an application and is a licensed private detective under this Act.

(2) A firm that submits an application and all of the members of the firm are licensed private detectives under this Act.

(3) A corporation or limited liability company doing business in Illinois that is authorized by its articles of incorporation or organization to engage in the business of conducting a private detective agency, provided at least

one full-time executive employee is licensed as a private detective under this Act and all unlicensed officers and directors of the corporation or limited liability company are determined by the Department to be persons of good moral character.

(b) No private detective may be the licensee-in-charge for more than one private detective agency. Upon written request by a representative of an agency, within 10 days after the loss of a licensee-in-charge of an agency because of the death of that individual or because of the termination of the employment of that individual, the Department shall issue a temporary certificate of authority allowing the continuing operation of the licensed agency. No temporary certificate of authority shall be valid for more than 90 days. An extension of an additional 90 days may be granted upon written request by the representative of the agency. Not more than 2 extensions may be granted to any agency. No temporary permit shall be issued for a loss of the licensee-in-charge because of disciplinary action by the Department related to his or her conduct on behalf of the agency.

Section 15-25. Training; private detective and employees.

(a) Registered employees of a private detective agency shall complete, within 30 days of their employment, a minimum of 20 hours of training provided by a qualified instructor. The substance of the training shall be related to the work performed by the registered employee.

(b) It is the responsibility of the employer to certify, on a form provided by the Department, that the employee has successfully completed the training. The form shall be a permanent record of training completed by the employee and shall be placed in the employee's file with the employer for the period the employee remains with the employer. An agency may place a notarized copy of the Department form in lieu of the original into the permanent employee registration card file. The original form shall be given to the employee when his or her employment is terminated. Failure to return the original form to the employee is grounds for disciplinary action. The employee shall not be required to repeat the required training once the employee has been issued the form. An employer may provide or require additional training.

(c) Any certification of completion of the 20-hour basic training issued under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993 or any prior Act shall be accepted as proof of training under this Act.

ARTICLE 20. PRIVATE ALARM CONTRACTORS.

Section 20-5. Exemptions; private alarm contractor.

(a) The provisions of this Act related to the licensure of private alarm contractors do not apply to any of the following:

(1) A person who sells alarm system equipment and is not an employee, agent, or independent contractor of an entity that installs, monitors, maintains, alters, repairs, services, or responds to alarm systems at protected premises or premises to be protected if all of the following conditions are met:

(A) The alarm systems are approved either by Underwriters Laboratories or another authoritative entity recognized by the Department and identified by a federally registered trademark.

(B) The owner of the trademark has authorized the person to sell the trademark owner's products and the person provides proof to the Department of this authorization.

(C) The owner of the trademark maintains and provides, upon the Department's request, proof of liability insurance for bodily injury or property damage from defective products of not less than \$ 1,000,000 combined single limit. The insurance policy need not apply exclusively to alarm systems.

(2) A person who sells, installs, maintains, or repairs automobile alarm systems.

(3) A licensed electrical contractor who repairs or services fire alarm systems on an emergency call-in basis or who sells, installs, maintains, alters, repairs, or services only fire alarm systems and not alarm or other security related electronic systems.

(b) Persons who have no access to confidential or security information and who otherwise do not provide security services are exempt from employee registration. Examples of exempt employees include, but are not limited to, employees working in the capacity of delivery drivers, reception personnel, building cleaning, landscape and maintenance personnel, and employees involved in vehicle and equipment repair. Confidential or security information is that which pertains to employee files, scheduling, client contracts, or technical security and alarm data.

Section 20-10. Qualifications for licensure as a private alarm contractor.

(a) A person is qualified for licensure as a private alarm contractor if he or she meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Is at least 21 years of age.

(2) Has not been convicted of any felony in any jurisdiction or at least 10 years have elapsed since the time of full discharge from a sentence imposed for a felony conviction.

(3) Is of good moral character. Good moral character is a continuing requirement of licensure. Conviction of crimes other than felonies may be used in determining moral character, but shall not constitute an absolute bar to licensure.

(4) Has not been declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be incompetent by reason of mental or physical defect or disease, unless a court has subsequently declared him or her to be competent.

(5) Is not suffering from dependence on alcohol or from narcotic addiction or dependence.

(6) Has a minimum of 3 years experience of the 5 years immediately preceding application working as a full-time manager for a licensed private alarm contractor agency or for an entity that designs, sells, installs, services, or monitors alarm systems that, in the judgment of the Board, satisfies the standards of alarm industry competence. An applicant who has received a 4-year degree or higher in electrical engineering or a related field from a program approved by the Board shall be given credit for 2 years of the required experience. An applicant who has successfully completed a national certification program approved by the Board shall be given credit for one year of the required experience.

(7) Has not been dishonorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States.

(8) Has passed an examination authorized by the Department.

(9) Submits his or her fingerprints, proof of having general liability insurance required under subsection (c), and the required license fee.

(10) Has not violated Section 10-5 of this Act.

(b) A person is qualified to receive a license as a private alarm contractor without meeting the requirement of item (8) of subsection (a) if he or she:

(1) applies for a license between September 2, 2003 and September 5, 2003 in writing on forms supplied by the Department;

(2) provides proof of ownership of a licensed alarm contractor agency; and

(3) provides proof of at least 7 years of experience in the installation, design, sales, repair, maintenance, alteration, or service of alarm systems or any other low voltage electronic systems.

(c) It is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain general liability insurance in an amount and coverage appropriate for the applicant's circumstances as determined by rule. The applicant shall provide evidence of insurance to the Department before being issued a license. Failure to maintain general liability insurance and to provide the Department with written proof of the insurance shall result in cancellation of the license.

Section 20-15. Qualifications for licensure as a private alarm contractor agency.

(a) Upon receipt of the required fee and proof that the applicant has a full-time Illinois licensed private alarm contractor-in-charge, which is a continuing requirement for agency licensure, the Department shall issue a license as a private alarm contractor agency to any of the following:

(1) An individual who submits an application and is a licensed private alarm contractor under this Act.

(2) A firm that submits an application and all of the members of the firm are licensed private alarm contractors under this Act.

(3) A corporation or limited liability company doing business in Illinois that is authorized by its articles of incorporation or organization to engage in the business of conducting a private alarm contractor agency if at least one executive employee is licensed as a private alarm contractor under this Act and all unlicensed officers and directors of the corporation or limited liability company are determined by the Department to be persons of good moral character.

(b) No private alarm contractor may be the private alarm contractor-in-charge for more than one private alarm contractor agency. Upon written request by a representative of an agency, within 10 days after the loss of a licensed private alarm contractor-in-charge of an agency because of the death of that individual or because of the termination of the employment of that individual, the Department shall issue a temporary certificate of authority allowing the continuing operation of the licensed agency. No temporary certificate of authority shall be valid for more than 90 days. An extension of an additional 90 days may be granted upon written request by the representative of the agency. Not more than 2 extensions may be granted to any agency. No temporary permit shall be issued for loss of the licensee-in-charge because of disciplinary action by the Department related to his or her conduct on behalf of the agency.

(c) No private alarm contractor, private alarm contractor agency, or person may install or connect an alarm system or fire alarm system that connects automatically and directly to a governmentally operated police or fire dispatch system in a manner that violates subsection (a) of Section 15.2 of the Emergency Telephone System Act. In addition to the penalties provided by the Emergency Telephone System Act, a private alarm contractor agency that violates this Section shall pay the Department an additional penalty of \$ 250 per occurrence.

Section 20-20. Training; private alarm contractor and employees.

(a) Registered employees of the private alarm contractor agency who carry a firearm and respond to alarm systems shall complete, within 30 days of their employment, a minimum of 20 hours of classroom training provided by a qualified instructor and shall include all of the following subjects:

(1) The law regarding arrest and search and seizure as it applies to the private alarm industry.

(2) Civil and criminal liability for acts related to the private alarm industry.

(3) The use of force, including but not limited to the use of nonlethal force (i.e., disabling spray, baton, stungun, or similar weapon).

(4) Arrest and control techniques.

(5) The offenses under the Criminal Code of 1961 that are directly related to the protection of persons and property.

(6) The law on private alarm forces and on reporting to law enforcement agencies.

(7) Fire prevention, fire equipment, and fire safety.

(8) Civil rights and public relations.

(b) All other employees of a private alarm contractor agency shall complete a minimum of 20 hours of training provided by a qualified instructor within 30 days of their employment. The substance of the training shall be related to the work performed by the registered employee.

(c) It is the responsibility of the employer to certify, on forms provided by the Department, that the employee has successfully completed the training. The form shall be a permanent record of training completed by the employee and shall be placed in the employee's file with the employer for the term the employee is retained by the employer. A private alarm contractor agency may place a notarized copy of the Department form in lieu of the original into the permanent employee registration card file. The form shall be returned to the employee when his or her employment is terminated. Failure to return the form to the employee is grounds for discipline. The employee shall not be required to complete the training required under this Act once the employee has been issued a form.

(d) Nothing in this Act prevents any employer from providing or requiring additional training beyond the required 20 hours that the employer feels is necessary and appropriate for competent job performance.

(e) Any certification of completion of the 20-hour basic training issued under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993 or any prior Act shall be accepted as proof of training under this Act.

ARTICLE 25. PRIVATE SECURITY CONTRACTORS.

Section 25-5. Exemptions; private security contractor. The provisions of this Act related to licensure of a private security contractor do not apply to any of the following:

(1) An employee of the United States, Illinois, or a political subdivision of either while the employee is engaged in the performance of his or her official duties within the scope of his or her employment. However, any such person who offers his or her services as a private security contractor or uses a similar title when these services are performed for compensation or other consideration, whether received directly or indirectly, is subject to this Act.

(2) A person employed as either an armed or unarmed security officer at a nuclear energy, storage, weapons, or development site or facility regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission who has completed the background screening and training mandated by the regulations of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

(3) A person, watchman, or proprietary security officer employed exclusively by only one employer in connection with the exclusive activities of that employer.

Section 25-10. Qualifications for licensure as a private security contractor.

(a) A person is qualified for licensure as a private security contractor if he or she meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Is at least 21 years of age.

(2) Has not been convicted of any felony in any jurisdiction or at least 10 years have elapsed since the time of full discharge from a sentence imposed for a felony conviction.

(3) Is of good moral character. Good character is a continuing requirement of licensure. Conviction of crimes other than felonies may be used in determining moral character, but shall not constitute an absolute bar to licensure.

(4) Has not been declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be incompetent by reason of mental or physical defect or disease, unless a court has subsequently declared him or her to be competent.

(5) Is not suffering from dependence on alcohol or from narcotic addiction or dependence.

(6) Has a minimum of 3 years experience of the 5 years immediately preceding application working as a full-time manager for a licensed private security contractor agency or a manager of a proprietary security force of 30 or more persons registered with the Department or with 3 years experience of the 5 years immediately preceding his or her application employed as a full-time supervisor in a law enforcement agency of a federal or state political subdivision, which shall include a state's attorney's office or public defender's office. The Board and the Department shall approve such full-time supervisory experience. An applicant who has a baccalaureate degree or higher in police science or a related field or a business degree from an accredited college or university shall be given credit for 2 of the 3 years of the required experience. An applicant who has an associate degree in police science or in a related field or in business from an accredited college or university shall be given credit for one of the 3 years of the required experience.

(7) Has not been dishonorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States.

(8) Has passed an examination authorized by the Department.

(9) Submits his or her fingerprints, proof of having general liability insurance required under subsection (b), and the required license fee.

(10) Has not violated Section 10-5 of this Act.

(b) It is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain general liability insurance in an amount and coverage appropriate for the applicant's circumstances as determined by rule. The applicant shall provide evidence of insurance to the Department before being issued a license. Failure to maintain general liability insurance and to provide the Department with written proof of the insurance shall result in cancellation of the license.

Section 25-15. Qualifications for licensure as a private security contractor agency.

(a) Upon receipt of the required fee and proof that the applicant has a full-time Illinois licensed private security contractor-in-charge, which is a continuing requirement for agency licensure, the Department shall issue a license as a private security contractor agency to any of the following:

(1) An individual who submits an application and is a licensed private security contractor under this Act.

(2) A firm that submits an application and all of the members of the firm are licensed private security contractors under this Act.

(3) A corporation or limited liability company doing business in Illinois that is authorized by its articles of incorporation or organization to engage in the business of conducting a private security contractor agency if at least one officer or executive employee is licensed as a private security contractor under this Act and all unlicensed officers and directors of the corporation or limited liability company are determined by the Department to be persons of good moral character.

(b) No private security contractor may be the private security contractor licensee-in-charge for more than one private security contractor agency. Upon written request by a representative of the agency, within 10 days after the loss of a private security contractor licensee-in-charge of an agency because of the death of that individual or because of the termination of the employment of that individual, the Department shall issue a temporary certificate of authority allowing the continuing operation of the licensed agency. No temporary certificate of authority shall be valid for more than 90 days. An extension of an additional 90 days may be granted upon written request by the representative of the agency. Not more than 2 extensions may be granted to any agency. No temporary permit shall be issued for loss of the licensee-in-charge because of disciplinary action by the Department related to his or her conduct on behalf of the agency.

Section 25-20. Training; private security contractor and employees.

(a) Registered employees of the private security contractor agency who provide traditional guarding or other private security related functions or who respond to alarm systems shall complete, within 30 days of their employment, a minimum of 20 hours of classroom basic training provided by a qualified instructor, which shall include the following subjects:

- (1) The law regarding arrest and search and seizure as it applies to private security.
- (2) Civil and criminal liability for acts related to private security.
- (3) The use of force, including but not limited to the use of nonlethal force (i.e., disabling spray, baton, stungun or similar weapon).
- (4) Arrest and control techniques.
- (5) The offenses under the Criminal Code of 1961 that are directly related to the protection of persons and property.
- (6) The law on private security forces and on reporting to law enforcement agencies.
- (7) Fire prevention, fire equipment, and fire safety.
- (8) The procedures for service of process and for report writing.
- (9) Civil rights and public relations.

(b) All other employees of a private security contractor agency shall complete a minimum of 20 hours of training provided by the qualified instructor within 30 days of their employment. The substance of the training shall be related to the work performed by the registered employee.

(c) Registered employees of the private security contractor agency who provide guarding or other private security related functions, in addition to the classroom training required under subsection (a), within 6 months of their employment, shall complete an additional 8 hours of training on subjects to be determined by the employer, which training may be site-specific and may be conducted on the job.

(d) In addition to the basic training provided for in subsections (a) and (c), registered employees of the private security contractor agency who provide guarding or other private security related functions shall complete an additional 8 hours of refresher training on subjects to be determined by the employer each calendar year commencing with the calendar year following the employee's first employment anniversary date, which refresher training may be site-specific and may be conducted on the job.

(e) It is the responsibility of the employer to certify, on a form provided by the Department, that the employee has successfully completed the basic and refresher training. The form shall be a permanent record of training completed by the employee and shall be placed in the employee's file with the employer for the period the employee remains with the employer. An agency may place a notarized copy of the Department form in lieu of the original into the permanent employee registration card file. The original form shall be given to the employee when his or her employment is terminated. Failure to return the original form to the employee is grounds for disciplinary action. The employee shall not be required to repeat the required training once the employee has been issued the form. An employer may provide or require additional training.

(f) Any certification of completion of the 20-hour basic training issued under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security and Locksmith Act of 1993 or any prior Act shall be accepted as proof of training under this Act.

Section 25-30. Uniforms.

(a) No licensee under this Act or any employee of a licensed agency shall wear or display a badge, shoulder patch or other identification that contains the words "law enforcement". No license holder or employee of a licensed

agency shall imply in any manner that the person is an employee or agent of a governmental entity, display a badge or identification card, emblem, or uniform using the words "police", "sheriff", "highway patrol", "trooper", "law enforcement" or any similar term.

(b) All military-style uniforms, if worn, by employees of a licensed private security contractor agency, must bear the name of the private security contractor agency, which shall be plainly visible on a patch, badge, or other insignia.

ARTICLE 30. LOCKSMITHS.

Section 30-5. Exemptions; locksmith. The provisions of this Act do not apply to any of the following if the person performing the service does not hold himself or herself out as a locksmith:

- (1) Automobile service dealers who service, install, repair, or rebuild automobile locks.
- (2) Police officers, firefighters, or municipal employees who open a lock in an emergency situation.
- (3) A retail merchant selling locks or similar security accessories, duplicating keys, or installing, programming, repairing, maintaining, reprogramming, rebuilding, or servicing electronic garage door devices.
- (4) A member of the building trades who installs or removes complete locks or locking devices in the course of residential or commercial new construction or remodeling.
- (5) An employee of a towing service, reposessor, or automobile club opening automotive locks in the normal course of his or her duties. Additionally, this Act shall not prohibit an employee of a towing service from opening motor vehicles to enable a vehicle to be moved without towing, provided the towing service does not hold itself out to the public, by directory advertisement, through a sign at the facilities of the towing service, or by any other form of advertisement, as a locksmith.
- (6) A student in the course of study in locksmith programs approved by the Department.
- (7) Warranty service by a lock manufacturer or its employees on the manufacturer's own products.
- (8) A maintenance employee of a property management company at a multi-family residential building who services, installs, repairs, or opens locks for tenants.
- (9) A person employed exclusively by only one employer in connection with the exclusive activities of that employer, providing that person does not hold himself or herself out to the public as a locksmith.
- (10) Persons who have no access to confidential or security information and who otherwise do not provide traditional locksmith services, as defined in this Act, are exempt from employee registration. Examples of exempt employees include, but are not limited to, employees working in the capacity of key cutters, cashiers, drivers, and reception personnel. Confidential or security information is that which pertains to employee files, scheduling, client contracts, master key charts, access codes, or technical security and alarm data.

Section 30-10. Qualifications for licensure as a locksmith.

(a) A person is qualified for licensure as a locksmith if he or she meets all of the following requirements:

- (1) Is at least 18 years of age.
- (2) Has not been convicted of any felony in any jurisdiction or at least 10 years have elapsed since the time of full discharge from a sentence imposed for a felony conviction.
- (3) Is of good moral character. Good moral character is a continuing requirement of licensure. Conviction of crimes other than felonies may be used in determining moral character, but shall not constitute an absolute bar to licensure.

(4) Has not been declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be incompetent by reason of mental or physical defect or disease, unless a court has subsequently declared him or her to be competent.

(5) Is not suffering from dependence on alcohol or from narcotic addiction or dependence.

(6) Has not been dishonorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States.

(7) Has passed an examination authorized by the Department.

(8) Submits his or her fingerprints, proof of having general liability insurance required under subsection (b), and the required license fee.

(9) Has not violated Section 10-5 of this Act.

(b) It is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain general liability insurance in an amount and coverage appropriate for the applicant's circumstances as determined by rule. The applicant shall provide evidence of insurance to the Department before being issued a license. Failure to maintain general liability insurance and to provide the Department with written proof of the insurance shall result in cancellation of the license. A locksmith employed by a licensed locksmith agency or employed by a private concern may provide proof that his or her actions as a locksmith are covered by the liability insurance of his or her employer.

Section 30-15. Qualifications for licensure as a locksmith agency.

(a) Upon receipt of the required fee and proof that the applicant is an Illinois licensed locksmith who shall assume responsibility for the operation of the agency and the directed actions of the agency's employees, which is a continuing requirement for agency licensure, the Department shall issue a license as a locksmith agency to any of the following:

(1) An individual who submits an application and is a licensed locksmith under this Act.

(2) A firm that submits an application and all of the members of the firm are licensed locksmiths under this Act.

(3) A corporation or limited liability company doing business in Illinois that is authorized by its articles of incorporation or organization to engage in the business of conducting a locksmith agency if at least one officer or executive employee is a licensed locksmith under this Act and all unlicensed officers and directors of the corporation or limited liability company are determined by the Department to be persons of good moral character.

(b) An individual licensed as a locksmith operating under a business name other than the licensed locksmith's own name shall not be required to obtain a locksmith agency license if that licensed locksmith does not employ any persons to engage in the practice of locksmithing.

(c) No locksmith may be the locksmith licensee in-charge for more than one locksmith agency. Upon written request by a representative of the agency, within 10 days after the loss of a locksmith-in-charge of an agency because of the death of that individual or because of the termination of the employment of that individual, the Department shall issue a temporary certificate of authority allowing the continuing operation of the licensed agency. No temporary certificate of authority shall be valid for more than 90 days. An extension of an additional 90 days may be granted upon written request by the representative of the agency. Not more than 2 extensions may be granted to any agency. No temporary permit shall be issued for loss of the licensee-in-charge because of disciplinary action by the Department related to his or her conduct on behalf of the agency.

Section 30-20. Training; locksmith and employees.

(a) Registered employees of a licensed locksmith agency shall complete a minimum of 20 hours of training provided by a qualified instructor within 30 days of their employment. The substance of the training shall be prescribed by rule.

(b) It is the responsibility of the employer to certify, on a form provided by the Department, that the employee has successfully completed the training. The form shall be a permanent record of training completed by the employee and shall be placed in the employee's file with the employer for the period the employee remains with the employer. An agency may place a notarized copy of the Department form in lieu of the original into the permanent employee registration card file. The original form shall be given to the employee when his or her employment is terminated. Failure to return the original form to the employee is grounds for disciplinary action. The employee shall not be required to repeat the required training once the employee has been issued the form. An employer may provide or require additional training.

(c) Any certification of completion of the 20-hour basic training issued under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security and Locksmith Act of 1993 or any prior Act shall be accepted as proof of training under this Act.

Section 30-25. Customer identification; record keeping.

(a) A locksmith who bypasses, manipulates, or originates a first key by code for a device safeguarding an area where access is meant to be limited, whether or not for compensation, shall document where the work was performed and the name, address, date of birth, telephone number, and driver's license number or other identification number of the person requesting the work to be done and shall obtain the signature of that person. A copy of the work order form shall be kept by the licensed locksmith for a period of 2 years and shall include the name and license number of the locksmith or the name and identification number of the registered employee who performed the services. Work order forms required to be kept under this Section shall be available for inspection upon written request made 3 days in advance by a law enforcement agency.

(b) A locksmith who bypasses, manipulates, or originates a first key for a motor vehicle, whether or not for compensation, shall document the name, address, date of birth, telephone number, vehicle identification number, and driver's license number or other identification number of the person requesting entry and obtain the signature of that person. A copy of the work order form shall be kept by the licensed locksmith for a period of 2 years and shall include the name and license number of the locksmith or the name and identification number of the registered employee who performed the services. Work order forms required to be kept under this Section shall be available for inspection upon written request made 3 days in advance by a law enforcement agency.

ARTICLE 35. BUSINESS PRACTICE PROVISIONS.

Section 35-5. Display of license. Each licensee shall prominently display his or her individual, agency, or branch office license at each place where business is being conducted, as required under this Act. A licensee-in-charge is required to post his or her license only at the agency office.

Section 35-10. Inspection of facilities. Each licensee shall permit his or her office facilities and registered employee files to be audited or inspected at reasonable times and in a reasonable manner upon 24 hours notice by the Department.

Section 35-15. Advertisements; penalties.

(a) No licensee providing services regulated by this Act may knowingly advertise those services without including his or her license number in the advertisement. The publisher of the advertising, however, is not required to verify the accuracy of the advertisement or the license number.

(b) A licensee who advertises services regulated by this Act who knowingly (i) fails to display his or her license at his or her place of business, (ii) fails to provide the publisher with the current license number, or (iii) provides the publisher with a false license number or a license number other than that of the person or agency doing the advertising or a licensee who knowingly allows his or her license number to be displayed or used by another person or agency to circumvent any provision of this subsection, is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor. Each day an advertisement is published or a licensee allows his or her license to be used in violation of this Section constitutes a separate offense. In addition to the penalties and remedies provided in this Section, a licensee who violates

any provision of this Section shall be subject to the disciplinary action, fines, and civil penalty provisions of this Act.

Section 35-20. Renewal provisions.

(a) As a condition of renewal of a license, each licensee shall report to the Department information pertaining to the licensee's business location, status as active or inactive, proof of continued general liability insurance coverage, and any other data as determined by rule to be reasonably related to the administration of this Act. Licensees shall report this information as a condition of renewal, except that a change in home or office address or a change of the licensee-in-charge shall be reported within 10 days of when it occurs.

(b) Upon renewal, every licensee shall report to the Department every instance during the licensure period in which the quality of his or her professional services in the State of Illinois was the subject of legal action that resulted in a settlement or a verdict in excess of \$ 10,000.

Section 35-25. Duplicate licenses. If a license, permanent employee registration card, or firearm authorization card is lost, a duplicate shall be issued upon proof of such loss together with the payment of the required fee. If a licensee decides to change his or her name, the Department shall issue a license in the new name upon proof that the change was done pursuant to law and payment of the required fee. Notification of a name change shall be made to the Department within 30 days after the change.

Section 35-30. Employee requirements. All employees of a licensed agency, other than those exempted, shall apply for a permanent employee registration card. The holder of an agency license issued under this Act, known in this Section as "employer", may employ in the conduct of his or her business employees under the following provisions:

(1) No person shall be issued a permanent employee registration card who:

(A) Is younger than 18 years of age.

(B) Is younger than 21 years of age if the services will include being armed.

(C) Has been determined by the Department to be unfit by reason of conviction of an offense in this or another state, other than a traffic offense. The Department shall adopt rules for making those determinations that shall afford the applicant due process of law.

(D) Has had a license or permanent employee registration card denied, suspended, or revoked under this Act (i) within one year before the date the person's application for permanent employee registration card is received by the Department; and (ii) that refusal, denial, suspension, or revocation was based on any provision of this Act other than Section 40-50, item (6) or (8) of subsection (a) of Section 15-10, subsection (b) of Section 15-10, item (6) or (8) of subsection (a) of Section 20-10, subsection (b) of Section 20-10, item (6) or (8) of subsection (a) of Section 25-10, subsection (b) of Section 25-10, item (7) of subsection (a) of Section 30-10, subsection (b) of Section 30-10, or Section 10-40.

(E) Has been declared incompetent by any court of competent jurisdiction by reason of mental disease or defect and has not been restored.

(F) Has been dishonorably discharged from the armed services of the United States.

(2) No person may be employed by a private detective agency, private security contractor agency, private alarm contractor agency, or locksmith agency under this Section until he or she has executed and furnished to the employer, on forms furnished by the Department, a verified statement to be known as "Employee's Statement" setting forth:

(A) The person's full name, age, and residence address.

(B) The business or occupation engaged in for the 5 years immediately before the date of the execution of the statement, the place where the business or occupation was engaged in, and the names of employers, if any.

(C) That the person has not had a license or employee registration denied, revoked, or suspended under this Act (i) within one year before the date the person's application for permanent employee registration card is received by the Department; and (ii) that refusal, denial, suspension, or revocation was based on any provision of this Act other than Section 40-50, item (6) or (8) of subsection (a) of Section 15-10, subsection (b) of Section 15-10, item (6) or (8) of subsection (a) of Section 20-10, subsection (b) of Section 20-10, item (6) or (8) of subsection (a) of Section 25-10, subsection (b) of Section 25-10, item (7) of subsection (a) of Section 30-10, subsection (b) of Section 30-10, or Section 10-40.

(D) Any conviction of a felony or misdemeanor.

(E) Any declaration of incompetence by a court of competent jurisdiction that has not been restored.

(F) Any dishonorable discharge from the armed services of the United States.

(G) Any other information as may be required by any rule of the Department to show the good character, competency, and integrity of the person executing the statement.

(c) Each applicant for a permanent employee registration card shall have his or her fingerprints submitted to the Department of State Police in an electronic format that complies with the form and manner for requesting and furnishing criminal history record information as prescribed by the Department of State Police. These fingerprints shall be checked against the Department of State Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history record databases now and hereafter filed. The Department of State Police shall charge applicants a fee for conducting the criminal history records check, which shall be deposited in the State Police Services Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the records check. The Department of State Police shall furnish, pursuant to positive identification, records of Illinois convictions to the Department. The Department may require applicants to pay a separate fingerprinting fee, either to the Department or directly to the vendor. The Department, in its discretion, may allow an applicant who does not have reasonable access to a designated vendor to provide his or her fingerprints in an alternative manner. The Department, in its discretion, may also use other procedures in performing or obtaining criminal background checks of applicants. Instead of submitting his or her fingerprints, an individual may submit proof that is satisfactory to the Department that an equivalent security clearance has been conducted. Also, an individual who has retired as a peace officer within 12 months of application may submit verification, on forms provided by the Department and signed by his or her employer, of his or her previous full-time employment as a peace officer.

(d) The Department shall issue a permanent employee registration card, in a form the Department prescribes, to all qualified applicants. The holder of a permanent employee registration card shall carry the card at all times while actually engaged in the performance of the duties of his or her employment. Expiration and requirements for renewal of permanent employee registration cards shall be established by rule of the Department. Possession of a permanent employee registration card does not in any way imply that the holder of the card is employed by an agency unless the permanent employee registration card is accompanied by the employee identification card required by subsection (f) of this Section.

(e) Each employer shall maintain a record of each employee that is accessible to the duly authorized representatives of the Department. The record shall contain the following information:

(1) A photograph taken within 10 days of the date that the employee begins employment with the employer. The photograph shall be replaced with a current photograph every 3 calendar years.

(2) The Employee's Statement specified in subsection (b) of this Section.

(3) All correspondence or documents relating to the character and integrity of the employee received by the employer from any official source or law enforcement agency.

(4) In the case of former employees, the employee identification card of that person issued under subsection (f) of this Section. Each employee record shall duly note if the employee is employed in an armed capacity. Armed employee files shall contain a copy of an active firearm owner's identification card and a copy of an active firearm authorization card. Each employer shall maintain a record for each armed employee of each instance in which the employee's weapon was discharged during the course of his or her professional duties or activities. The record shall be maintained on forms provided by the Department, a copy of which must be filed with the Department within 15 days of an instance. The record shall include the date and time of the occurrence, the circumstances involved in the occurrence, and any other information as the Department may require. Failure to provide this information to the Department or failure to maintain the record as a part of each armed employee's permanent file is grounds for disciplinary action. The Department, upon receipt of a report, shall have the authority to make any investigation it considers appropriate into any occurrence in which an employee's weapon was discharged and to take disciplinary action as may be appropriate.

(5) The Department may, by rule, prescribe further record requirements.

(f) Every employer shall furnish an employee identification card to each of his or her employees. This employee identification card shall contain a recent photograph of the employee, the employee's name, the name and agency license number of the employer, the employee's personal description, the signature of the employer, the signature of that employee, the date of issuance, and an employee identification card number.

(g) No employer may issue an employee identification card to any person who is not employed by the employer in accordance with this Section or falsely state or represent that a person is or has been in his or her employ. It is unlawful for an applicant for registered employment to file with the Department the fingerprints of a person other than himself or herself.

(h) Every employer shall obtain the identification card of every employee who terminates employment with him or her.

(i) Every employer shall maintain a separate roster of the names of all employees currently working in an armed capacity and submit the roster to the Department on request.

(j) No agency may employ any person to perform a licensed activity under this Act unless the person possesses a valid permanent employee registration card or a valid license under this Act, or is exempt pursuant to subsection (n).

(k) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (j), an agency may employ a person in a temporary capacity if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The agency completes in its entirety and submits to the Department an application for a permanent employee registration card, including the required fingerprint receipt and fees.

(2) The agency has verification from the Department that the applicant has no record of any criminal conviction pursuant to the criminal history check conducted by the Department of State Police. The agency shall maintain the verification of the results of the Department of State Police criminal history check as part of the employee record as required under subsection (e) of this Section.

(3) The agency exercises due diligence to ensure that the person is qualified under the requirements of the Act to be issued a permanent employee registration card.

(4) The agency maintains a separate roster of the names of all employees whose applications are currently pending with the Department and submits the roster to the Department on a monthly basis. Rosters are to be maintained by the agency for a period of at least 24 months.

An agency may employ only a permanent employee applicant for which it either submitted a permanent employee application and all required forms and fees or it confirms with the Department that a permanent employee

application and all required forms and fees have been submitted by another agency, licensee or the permanent employee and all other requirements of this Section are met.

The Department shall have the authority to revoke, without a hearing, the temporary authority of an individual to work upon receipt of Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint data or a report of another official authority indicating a criminal conviction. If the Department has not received a temporary employee's Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint data within 120 days of the date the Department received the Department of State Police fingerprint data, the Department may, at its discretion, revoke the employee's temporary authority to work with 15 days written notice to the individual and the employing agency.

An agency may not employ a person in a temporary capacity if it knows or reasonably should have known that the person has been convicted of a crime under the laws of this State, has been convicted in another state of any crime that is a crime under the laws of this State, has been convicted of any crime in a federal court, or has been posted as an unapproved applicant by the Department. Notice by the Department to the agency, via certified mail, personal delivery, electronic mail, or posting on the Department's Internet site accessible to the agency that the person has been convicted of a crime shall be deemed constructive knowledge of the conviction on the part of the agency. The Department may adopt rules to implement this subsection (k).

(l) No person may be employed under this Section in any capacity if:

(1) the person, while so employed, is being paid by the United States or any political subdivision for the time so employed in addition to any payments he or she may receive from the employer; or

(2) the person wears any portion of his or her official uniform, emblem of authority, or equipment while so employed.

(m) If information is discovered affecting the registration of a person whose fingerprints were submitted under this Section, the Department shall so notify the agency that submitted the fingerprints on behalf of that person.

(n) Peace officers shall be exempt from the requirements of this Section relating to permanent employee registration cards. The agency shall remain responsible for any peace officer employed under this exemption, regardless of whether the peace officer is compensated as an employee or as an independent contractor and as further defined by rule.

(o) Persons who have no access to confidential or security information and who otherwise do not provide traditional security services are exempt from employee registration. Examples of exempt employees include, but are not limited to, employees working in the capacity of ushers, directors, ticket takers, cashiers, drivers, and reception personnel. Confidential or security information is that which pertains to employee files, scheduling, client contracts, or technical security and alarm data.

Section 35-35. Requirement of a firearm authorization card.

(a) No person shall perform duties that include the use, carrying, or possession of a firearm in the performance of those duties without complying with the provisions of this Section and having been issued a valid firearm authorization card by the Department.

(b) No employer shall employ any person to perform the duties for which employee registration is required and allow that person to carry a firearm unless that person has complied with all the firearm training requirements of this Section and has been issued a firearm authorization card. This Act permits only the following to carry firearms while actually engaged in the performance of their duties or while commuting directly to or from their places of employment: persons licensed as private detectives and their registered employees; persons licensed as private security contractors and their registered employees; persons licensed as private alarm contractors and their registered employees; and employees of a registered armed proprietary security force.

(c) Possession of a valid firearm authorization card allows an employee to carry a firearm not otherwise prohibited by law while the employee is engaged in the performance of his or her duties or while the employee is commuting

directly to or from the employee's place or places of employment, provided that this is accomplished within one hour from departure from home or place of employment.

(d) The Department shall issue a firearm authorization card to a person who has passed an approved firearm training course, who is currently employed by an agency licensed by this Act and has met all the requirements of this Act, and who possesses a valid firearm owner identification card. Application for the firearm authorization card shall be made by the employer to the Department on forms provided by the Department. The Department shall forward the card to the employer who shall be responsible for its issuance to the employee. The firearm authorization card shall be issued by the Department and shall identify the person holding it and the name of the course where the employee received firearm instruction and shall specify the type of weapon or weapons the person is authorized by the Department to carry and for which the person has been trained.

(e) Expiration and requirements for renewal of firearm authorization cards shall be determined by rule.

(f) The Department may, in addition to any other disciplinary action permitted by this Act, refuse to issue, suspend, or revoke a firearm authorization card if the applicant or holder has been convicted of any felony or crime involving the illegal use, carrying, or possession of a deadly weapon or for a violation of this Act or rules promulgated under this Act. The Department shall refuse to issue or shall revoke a firearm authorization card if the applicant or holder fails to possess a valid firearm owners identification card. The Director shall summarily suspend a firearm authorization card if the Director finds that its continued use would constitute an imminent danger to the public. A hearing shall be held before the Board within 30 days if the Director summarily suspends a firearm authorization card.

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, all requirements relating to firearms authorization cards do not apply to a peace officer.

Section 35-40. Firearm authorization; training requirements.

(a) The Department shall, pursuant to rule, approve or disapprove training programs for the firearm training course, which shall be taught by a qualified instructor. Qualifications for instructors shall be set by rule. The firearm training course shall be conducted by entities, by a licensee, or by an agency licensed by this Act, provided the course is approved by the Department. The firearm course shall consist of the following minimum requirements:

(1) 40 hours of training, 20 hours of which shall be as described in Sections 15-20, 20-20, or 25-20, as applicable, and 20 hours of which shall include all of the following:

(A) Instruction in the dangers of and misuse of firearms, their storage, safety rules, and care and cleaning of firearms.

(B) Practice firing on a range with live ammunition.

(C) Instruction in the legal use of firearms.

(D) A presentation of the ethical and moral considerations necessary for any person who possesses a firearm.

(E) A review of the laws regarding arrest, search, and seizure.

(F) Liability for acts that may be performed in the course of employment.

(2) An examination shall be given at the completion of the course. The examination shall consist of a firearms qualification course and a written examination. Successful completion shall be determined by the Department.

(b) The firearm training requirement may be waived for an employee who has completed training provided by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board or the equivalent public body of another state, provided documentation showing requalification with the weapon on the firing range is submitted to the Department.

Section 35-45. Armed proprietary security force.

(a) All financial institutions that employ one or more armed employees and all commercial or industrial operations that employ 5 or more persons as armed employees shall register their security forces with the Department on forms provided by the Department.

(b) All armed employees of the registered proprietary security force must complete a 20-hour basic training course and 20-hour firearm training.

(c) Every proprietary security force is required to apply to the Department, on forms supplied by the Department, for a firearm authorization card for each armed employee.

(d) The Department may provide rules for the administration of this Section.

ARTICLE 40. DISCIPLINARY PROVISIONS.

Section 40-5. Injunctive relief. The practice of a private detective, private security contractor, private alarm contractor, locksmith, private detective agency, private security contractor agency, private alarm contractor agency, or locksmith agency by any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity that has not been issued a license by the Department or whose license has been suspended, revoked, or not renewed is hereby declared to be inimical to the public safety and welfare and to constitute a public nuisance. The Director, through the Attorney General, the State's Attorney of any county, any resident of the State, or any legal entity within the State may apply for injunctive relief in any court to enjoin any person, firm, or other entity that has not been issued a license or whose license has been suspended, revoked, or not renewed from conducting a licensed activity. Upon the filing of a verified petition in court, if satisfied by affidavit or otherwise that the person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity is or has been conducting activities in violation of this Act, the court may enter a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction, without bond, enjoining the defendant from further activity. A copy of the verified complaint shall be served upon the defendant and the proceedings shall be conducted as in civil cases. If it is established the defendant has been or is conducting activities in violation of this Act, the court may enter a judgment enjoining the defendant from that activity. In case of violation of any injunctive order or judgment entered under this Section, the court may punish the offender for contempt of court. Injunctive proceedings shall be in addition to all other penalties under this Act.

Section 40-10. Disciplinary sanctions.

(a) The Department may deny issuance, refuse to renew, or restore or may reprimand, place on probation, suspend, or revoke any license, registration, permanent employee registration card, or firearm authorization card, and it may impose a fine not to exceed \$ 1,500 for a first violation and not to exceed \$ 5,000 for a second or subsequent violation for any of the following:

(1) Fraud or deception in obtaining or renewing of a license or registration.

(2) Professional incompetence as manifested by poor standards of service.

(3) Engaging in dishonorable, unethical, or unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public.

(4) Conviction in Illinois or another state of any crime that is a felony under the laws of Illinois; a felony in a federal court; a misdemeanor, an essential element of which is dishonesty; or directly related to professional practice.

(5) Performing any services in a grossly negligent manner or permitting any of a licensee's employees to perform services in a grossly negligent manner, regardless of whether actual damage to the public is established.

(6) Continued practice, although the person has become unfit to practice due to any of the following:

(A) Physical illness, including, but not limited to, deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor skills that results in the inability to serve the public with reasonable judgment, skill, or safety.

(B) Mental disability demonstrated by the entry of an order or judgment by a court that a person is in need of mental treatment or is incompetent.

(C) Addiction to or dependency on alcohol or drugs that is likely to endanger the public. If the Department has reasonable cause to believe that a person is addicted to or dependent on alcohol or drugs that may endanger the public, the Department may require the person to undergo an examination to determine the extent of the addiction or dependency.

(7) Receiving, directly or indirectly, compensation for any services not rendered.

(8) Willfully deceiving or defrauding the public on a material matter.

(9) Failing to account for or remit any moneys or documents coming into the licensee's possession that belong to another person or entity.

(10) Discipline by another United States jurisdiction or foreign nation, if at least one of the grounds for the discipline is the same or substantially equivalent to those set forth in this Act.

(11) Giving differential treatment to a person that is to that person's detriment because of race, color, creed, sex, religion, or national origin.

(12) Engaging in false or misleading advertising.

(13) Aiding, assisting, or willingly permitting another person to violate this Act or rules promulgated under it.

(14) Performing and charging for services without authorization to do so from the person or entity serviced.

(15) Directly or indirectly offering or accepting any benefit to or from any employee, agent, or fiduciary without the consent of the latter's employer or principal with intent to or the understanding that this action will influence his or her conduct in relation to his or her employer's or principal's affairs.

(16) Violation of any disciplinary order imposed on a licensee by the Department.

(17) Failing to comply with any provision of this Act or rule promulgated under it.

(18) Conducting an agency without a valid license.

(19) Revealing confidential information, except as required by law, including but not limited to information available under Section 2-123 of the Illinois Vehicle Code.

(20) Failing to make available to the Department, upon request, any books, records, or forms required by this Act.

(21) Failing, within 30 days, to respond to a written request for information from the Department.

(22) Failing to provide employment information or experience information required by the Department regarding an applicant for licensure.

(23) Failing to make available to the Department at the time of the request any indicia of licensure or registration issued under this Act.

(24) Purporting to be a licensee-in-charge of an agency without active participation in the agency.

(b) The Department shall seek to be consistent in the application of disciplinary sanctions.

Section 40-15. Suspension or revocation of permanent employee registration card. Individuals registered as employees pursuant to the provisions of Section 35-30 of this Act shall be subject to the disciplinary sanctions of this Act and shall otherwise comply with this Act and the rules promulgated under it. Notwithstanding any

other provision in this Act to the contrary, registered employees of an agency shall not be responsible for compliance with any requirement that this Act assigns to the agency or the licensee-in-charge regardless of the employee's job title, job duties, or position in the agency. The procedures for disciplining a licensee shall also apply in taking action against a registered employee.

Section 40-20. Confidential information; violation. Any person who is or has been an employee of a licensee shall not divulge to anyone, other than to his or her employer, except as required by law or at his employer's direction, any confidential or proprietary information acquired during his or her employment. Any individual who violates this Section or who files false papers or reports to his or her employer may be disciplined under Section 40-10 of this Act.

Section 40-25. Submission to physical or mental examination. The Department may order a licensee or a registrant to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if the licensee or registrant's mental or physical capacity to work safely is an issue in a disciplinary proceeding. The failure to submit to a Director's order to submit to a reasonable mental or physical exam shall constitute a violation of this Act subject to the disciplinary provisions in Section 40-10.

Section 40-30. Insufficient funds; checks. A person who delivers a check or other payment to the Department that is returned to the Department unpaid by the financial institution upon which it was drawn shall pay to the Department, in addition to the amount already owed, a penalty of \$ 50. The Department shall notify the person by first class mail that his or her check or payment was returned and that the person shall pay to the Department by certified check or money order the amount of the returned check plus a \$ 50 penalty within 30 calendar days after the date of the notification. If, after the expiration of 30 calendar days of the notification, the person has failed to remit the necessary funds and penalty, the Department shall automatically terminate the license or deny the application without a hearing. If the returned check or other payment was for issuance of a license under this Act and that person practices as a licensee, that person may be subject to discipline for unlicensed practice as provided in this Act. If, after termination or denial, the person seeks a license, he or she shall petition the Department for restoration and he or she may be subject to additional discipline or fines. The Director may waive the penalties or fines due under this Section in individual cases where the Director finds that the penalties or fines would be unreasonable or unnecessarily burdensome.

Section 40-35. Disciplinary action for educational loan defaults. The Department shall deny a license or renewal authorized by this Act to a person who has defaulted on an educational loan or scholarship provided or guaranteed by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission or any governmental agency of this State. The Department may issue a license or renewal if the person has established a satisfactory repayment record as determined by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission or other appropriate governmental agency of this State. Additionally, a license issued by the Department may be suspended or revoked if the Director, after the opportunity for a hearing under this Act, finds that the licensee has failed to make satisfactory repayment to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission for a delinquent or defaulted loan.

Section 40-40. Nonpayment of child support. In cases where the Department of Public Aid or any circuit court has previously determined that a licensee or a potential licensee is more than 30 days delinquent in the payment of child support and has subsequently certified the delinquency to the Department, the Department may refuse to issue or renew or may revoke or suspend that person's license or may take other disciplinary action against that person based solely upon the certification of delinquency made by the Department of Public Aid or a circuit court. Redetermination of the delinquency by the Department shall not be required. In cases regarding the renewal of a license, the Department shall not renew any license if the Department of Public Aid or a circuit court has certified the licensee to be more than 30 days delinquent in the payment of child support, unless the licensee has arranged for payment of past and current child support obligations in a manner satisfactory to the Department of Public Aid or circuit court. The Department may impose conditions, restrictions or disciplinary action upon that renewal in accordance with Section 40-10 of this Act.

Section 40-45. Failure to file a tax return. The Department may refuse to issue or may suspend the license of any person, firm, or other entity that fails to file a tax return, to pay a tax, penalty, or interest shown in a filed return, or to pay any final assessment of a tax, penalty, or interest, as required by any law administered by the

Department of Revenue until the requirements of the law are satisfied or a repayment agreement with the Department of Revenue has been entered into.

Section 40-50. Statute of limitations. No action may be taken under this Act against a person or entity licensed under this Act unless the action is commenced within 5 years after the occurrence of the alleged violations. A continuing violation shall be deemed to have occurred on the date when the circumstances last existed that give rise to the alleged violation.

ARTICLE 45. INVESTIGATION AND HEARING PROVISIONS

Section 45-10. Complaints investigated by the Department.

- (a) The Department shall investigate all complaints concerning violations regarding licensees or unlicensed activity.
- (b) Following an investigation, the Department may file formal charges against the licensee. The formal charges shall inform the licensee of the facts that are the basis of the charges with enough specificity to enable the licensee to prepare an intelligent defense.
- (c) Each licensee whose conduct is the subject of a formal charge that seeks to impose disciplinary action against the licensee shall be served notice of that charge at least 30 days before the date of the hearing. The hearing shall be presided over by a Board member or by a hearing officer authorized by the Department. Service shall be considered to have been given if the notice was personally received by the licensee or if the notice was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the licensee at the licensee's address on file with the Department.
- (d) The notice of formal charges shall consist of the following information:
 - (1) The time, place, and date of the hearing.
 - (2) That the licensee shall appear personally at the hearing and may be represented by counsel.
 - (3) That the licensee may produce witnesses and evidence on his or her behalf and has the right to cross-examine witnesses and evidence produced against him or her.
 - (4) That the hearing could result in disciplinary action.
 - (5) That rules for the conduct of hearings are available from the Department.
 - (6) That a hearing officer authorized by the Department shall conduct the hearing and, following the conclusion of that hearing, shall make findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations, separately stated, to the Board as to what disciplinary action, if any, should be imposed on the licensee.
 - (7) That the licensee shall file a written answer to the Board under oath within 20 days after the service of the notice, and that if the licensee fails to file an answer default will be taken and the license or certificate may be suspended, revoked, or placed on probationary status, or other disciplinary action may be taken, including limiting the scope, nature, or extent of practice, as the Director may consider proper.

In case the licensee, after receiving notice, fails to file an answer, that person's license or certificate may, in the discretion of the Director, having received first the recommendation of the Board, be suspended, revoked, or placed on probationary status; or the Director may take whatever disciplinary action is considered under this Act, including limiting the scope, nature, or extent of the person's practice, without a hearing, if the act or acts charged constitute sufficient grounds for the action under this Act.

Section 45-15. Hearing; rehearing; public record.

(a) The Board or the hearing officer authorized by the Department shall hear evidence in support of the formal charges and evidence produced by the licensee. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board shall make findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations and submit them to the Director and to all parties to the proceeding.

(b) The Board's findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations shall be served on the licensee in the same manner as was the service of the notice of formal charges. Within 20 days after the service, any party to the proceeding may present to the Director a motion, in writing, specifying the grounds for a rehearing or reconsideration of the decision or sanctions.

(c) The Director, following the time allowed for filing a motion for rehearing or reconsideration, shall review the Board's findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations and any subsequently filed motions. After review of the information, the Director may hear oral arguments and thereafter shall issue an order. The report of findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations of the Board shall be the basis for the Department's order. If the Director finds that substantial justice was not done, the Director may issue an order in contravention of the Board's recommendations. The Director shall provide the Board with a written explanation of any deviation and shall specify the reasons for the action. The findings of the Board and the Director are not admissible as evidence against the person in a criminal prosecution brought for the violation of this Act.

(d) All proceedings under this Section are matters of public record and shall be preserved.

(e) Upon the suspension or revocation of a license, the licensee shall surrender the license to the Department and, upon failure to do so, the Department shall seize the same.

Section 45-20. Temporary suspension of a license. The Director may temporarily suspend a license without a hearing, simultaneously with the initiation of the procedure for a hearing provided for in this Act, if the Director finds that evidence indicates that a licensee's continuation in business would constitute an imminent danger to the public. If the Director temporarily suspends a license without a hearing, a hearing by the Department shall be held within 30 days after the suspension has occurred.

Section 45-25. Disposition by consent order. Disposition may be made of any charge by consent order between the Department and the licensee. The Board shall be apprised of the consent order at its next meeting.

Section 45-30. Restoration of license after disciplinary proceedings. The Department shall reinstate any license to good standing under this Act upon recommendation to the Director, after a hearing before the Board or a hearing officer authorized by the Department. The Department shall be satisfied that the applicant's renewed practice is not contrary to the public interest.

Section 45-35. Cease and desist orders. Whenever the Department has reason to believe a person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity has violated any provision of Section 10-5, the Department may issue a rule to show cause why an order to cease and desist should not be entered against that person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity. The rule shall clearly set forth the grounds relied upon by the Department and shall provide a period of 7 days from the date of the rule to file an answer to the satisfaction of the Department. Failure to answer to the satisfaction of the Department shall cause an order to cease and desist to be issued immediately.

Section 45-40. Administrative review. All final administrative decisions of the Department are subject to judicial review under Article III of the Code of Civil Procedure. The term "administrative decision" is defined as in Section 3-101 of the Code of Civil Procedure. The proceedings for judicial review shall be commenced in the circuit court of the county in which the party applying for review resides; but if the party is not a resident of Illinois, the venue shall be in Sangamon County. The Department shall not be required to certify any record to the court or file any answer in court or otherwise appear in any court in a judicial review proceeding, unless there is filed in the court with the complaint a receipt from the Department acknowledging payment of the costs of furnishing and certifying the record. Costs shall be computed at the cost of preparing the record. Exhibits shall be certified without cost. Failure on the part of the applicant or licensee to file a receipt in court is grounds for dismissal of the action. During all judicial proceedings incident to a disciplinary action, the sanctions imposed upon a licensee by the Department shall remain in effect, unless the court determines justice requires a stay of the order.

Section 45-45. Prima facie proof. An order of revocation or suspension or placing a license on probationary status or other disciplinary action as the Department may consider proper or a certified copy thereof, over the seal of the Department and purporting to be signed by the Director, is prima facie proof that:

- (1) the signature is that of the Director;
- (2) the Director is qualified to act; and
- (3) the members of the Board are qualified to act.

Section 45-50. Unlicensed practice; fraud in obtaining a license.

(a) A person who violates any of the following provisions shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor; a person who commits a second or subsequent violation of these provisions is guilty of a Class 4 felony:

(1) The practice of or attempted practice of or holding out as available to practice as a private detective, private security contractor, private alarm contractor, or locksmith without a license.

(2) Operation of or attempt to operate a private detective agency, private security contractor agency, private alarm contractor agency, or locksmith agency without ever having been issued a valid agency license.

(3) The obtaining of or the attempt to obtain any license or authorization issued under this Act by fraudulent misrepresentation.

(b) Whenever a licensee is convicted of a felony related to the violations set forth in this Section, the clerk of the court in any jurisdiction shall promptly report the conviction to the Department and the Department shall immediately revoke any license as a private detective, private security contractor, private alarm contractor, or locksmith held by that licensee. The individual shall not be eligible for licensure under this Act until at least 10 years have elapsed since the time of full discharge from any sentence imposed for a felony conviction. If any person in making any oath or affidavit required by this Act swears falsely, the person is guilty of perjury and may be punished accordingly.

(c) In addition to any other penalty provided by law, a person who violates any provision of this Section shall pay a civil penalty to the Department in an amount not to exceed \$ 5,000 for each offense, as determined by the Department. The civil penalty shall be imposed in accordance with this Act.

Section 45-55. Subpoenas.

(a) The Department may subpoena and bring before it any person to take the testimony with the same fees and in the same manner as prescribed in civil cases.

(b) Any circuit court, upon the application of the licensee, the Department, or the Board, may order the attendance of witnesses and the production of relevant books and papers before the Board in any hearing under this Act. The circuit court may compel obedience to its order by proceedings for contempt.

(c) The Director, the hearing officer or a certified shorthand court reporter may administer oaths at any hearing the Department conducts. Notwithstanding any other statute or Department rule to the contrary, all requests for testimony, production of documents or records shall be in accordance with this Act.

Section 45-60. Stenographers. The Department, at its expense, shall provide a stenographer to preserve a record of all hearing and pre-hearing proceedings if a license may be revoked, suspended, or placed on probationary status or other disciplinary action is taken. The notice of hearing, the complaint, all other documents in the nature of pleadings and written motions filed in the proceedings, the transcript of testimony, the report of the Board, and the orders of the Department shall constitute the record of the proceedings. The Department shall furnish a transcript of the record upon payment of the costs of copying and transmitting the record.

ARTICLE 50. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Section 50-5. Personnel; investigators. The Director shall employ, pursuant to the Personnel Code, personnel, on a full-time or part-time basis, for the enforcement of this Act. Each investigator shall have a minimum of 2 years investigative experience out of the immediately preceding 5 years. No investigator may hold an active license issued pursuant to this Act, nor may an investigator have a financial interest in a business licensed under this Act. This prohibition, however, does not apply to an investigator holding stock in a business licensed under this Act, provided the investigator does not hold more than 5% of the stock in the business. Any person licensed under this Act who is employed by the Department shall surrender his or her license to the Department for the duration of that employment. The licensee shall be exempt from all renewal fees while employed. While employed by the Department, the licensee is not required to maintain the general liability insurance coverage required by this Act.

Section 50-10. The Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Board.

(a) The Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Board shall consist of 11 members appointed by the Director and comprised of 2 licensed private detectives, 3 licensed private security contractors, 2 licensed private alarm contractors, 2 licensed locksmiths, one public member who is not licensed or registered under this Act and who has no connection with a business licensed under this Act, and one member representing the employees registered under this Act. Each member shall be a resident of Illinois. Each licensed member shall have at least 5 years experience as a licensee in the professional area in which the person is licensed and be in good standing and actively engaged in that profession. In making appointments, the Director shall consider the recommendations of the professionals and the professional organizations representing the licensees. The membership shall reasonably reflect the different geographic areas in Illinois.

(b) Members shall serve 4 year terms and may serve until their successors are appointed. No member shall serve for more than 2 successive terms. Appointments to fill vacancies shall be made in the same manner as the original appointments for the unexpired portion of the vacated term. Members of the Board in office on the effective date of this Act pursuant to the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993 shall serve for the duration of their terms and may be appointed for one additional term.

(c) A member of the Board may be removed for cause. A member subject to formal disciplinary proceedings shall disqualify himself or herself from all Board business until the charge is resolved. A member also shall disqualify himself or herself from any matter on which the member cannot act objectively.

(d) Members shall receive compensation as set by law. Each member shall receive reimbursement as set by the Governor's Travel Control Board for expenses incurred in carrying out the duties as a Board member.

(e) A majority of Board members constitutes a quorum. A majority vote of the quorum is required for a decision.

(f) The Board shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson.

(g) Board members are not liable for their acts, omissions, decisions, or other conduct in connection with their duties on the Board, except those determined to be willful, wanton, or intentional misconduct.

(h) The Board may recommend policies, procedures, and rules relevant to the administration and enforcement of this Act.

Section 50-15. Powers and duties of the Department.

(a) The Department shall exercise the powers and duties prescribed by the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois and shall exercise all other powers and duties set forth in this Act.

(b) The Director shall prescribe forms to be issued for the administration and enforcement of this Act.

Section 50-20. Rules. The Department may promulgate rules for the administration and enforcement of this Act. The rules shall include standards for registration, licensure, professional conduct, and discipline. The Department shall consult with the Board prior to promulgating any rule. Proposed rules shall be transmitted, prior to

publication in the Illinois Register, to the Board and the Department shall review the Board's recommendations and shall notify the Board with an explanation of any deviations from the Board's recommendations.

Section 50-25. Home rule. Pursuant to paragraph (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, the power to regulate the private detective, private security, private alarm, or locksmith business or their employees shall be exercised exclusively by the State and may not be exercised by any unit of local government, including home rule units.

Section 50-30. Fees; deposit of fees and fines. The Department shall by rule provide for fees for the administration and enforcement of this Act, and those fees are nonrefundable. All of the fees and fines collected under this Act shall be deposited into the General Professions Dedicated Fund and be appropriated to the Department for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department in the administration and enforcement of this Act.

Section 50-35. Rosters. The Department shall, upon request and payment of the fee, provide a list of the names and addresses of all licensees under this Act.

Section 50-40. Rights and obligations. All rights and obligations incurred and any actions commenced under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993 shall not be impaired by the enactment of this Act. Rules adopted under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993, unless inconsistent with this Act, shall remain in effect until amended or revoked. All licenses issued by the Department permitting the holder to act as a private detective, private detective agency, private security contractor, private security contractor agency, private alarm contractor, private alarm contractor agency, locksmith, or locksmith agency that are valid on the effective date of this Act shall be considered valid under this Act. All licenses issued under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993 are valid and are subject to the same authority of the Department to revoke or suspend them as licenses issued under this Act.

ARTICLE 90. AMENDATORY PROVISIONS.

Section 90-5. The Regulatory Sunset Act is amended by changing Sections 4.14 and 4.24 as follows:

(5 ILCS 80/4.14) (from Ch. 127, par. 1904.14)

Sec. 4.14. Acts repealed.

(a) The following [A> ACT IS <A] [D> Acts are <D] repealed December 31, 2003:

[D> The Private Detective, Private Alarm, and Private Security Act of 1993. <D]

The Illinois Occupational Therapy Practice Act.

(b) The following Acts are repealed January 1, 2004:

The Illinois Certified Shorthand Reporters Act of 1984.

The Veterinary Medicine and Surgery Practice Act of 1994. (Source: P.A. 92-457, eff 8-21-01.)

[\(5 ILCS 80/4.24\)](#)

Sec. 4.24. Acts repealed on January 1, 2014. The following Acts are repealed on January 1, 2014:

The Electrologist Licensing Act.

The Illinois Public Accounting Act.

[A> THE PRIVATE DETECTIVE, PRIVATE ALARM, PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004. <A] (Source: P.A. 92-457, eff. 8-21-01; 92-750, eff. 1-1-03.)

Section 90-10. The Criminal Identification Act is amended by changing Section 3-1 as follows:

[\(20 ILCS 2630/3.1\)](#) (from Ch. 38, par. 206-3.1)

Sec. 3.1. (a) The Department may furnish, pursuant to positive identification, records of convictions to the Department of Professional Regulation for the purpose of meeting registration or licensure requirements under The Private Detective, Private Alarm, [A] PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 [A] [D] and Private Security Act of 1983 [D].

(b) The Department may furnish, pursuant to positive identification, records of convictions to policing bodies of this State for the purpose of assisting local liquor control commissioners in carrying out their duty to refuse to issue licenses to persons specified in paragraphs (4), (5) and (6) of Section 6-2 of The Liquor Control Act of 1934.

(c) The Department shall charge an application fee, based on actual costs, for the dissemination of records pursuant to this Section. Fees received for the dissemination of records pursuant to this Section shall be deposited in the State Police Services Fund. The Department is empowered to establish this fee and to prescribe the form and manner for requesting and furnishing conviction information pursuant to this Section.

(d) Any dissemination of any information obtained pursuant to this Section to any person not specifically authorized hereby to receive or use it for the purpose for which it was disseminated shall constitute a violation of Section 7. (Source: P.A. 85-1440.)

Section 90-15. The Service Contract Act is amended by changing Section 10 as follows:

[\(215 ILCS 152/10\)](#)

Sec. 10. Exemptions. Service contract providers and related service contract sellers and administrators complying with this Act are not required to comply with and are not subject to any provision of the Illinois Insurance Code. A service contract provider who is the manufacturer or a wholly-owned subsidiary of the manufacturer of the product or the builder, seller, or lessor of the product that is the subject of the service contract is required to comply only with Sections 30, 35, 45, and 50 of this Act; except that, a service contract provider who sells a motor vehicle, excluding a motorcycle as defined in Section 1-147 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, or who leases, but is not the manufacturer of, the motor vehicle, excluding a motorcycle as defined in Section 1-147 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, that is the subject of the service contract must comply with this Act in its entirety. Contracts for the repair and monitoring of private alarm or private security systems regulated under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of [A] 2004 [A] [D] 1993 [D] are not required to comply with this Act and are not subject to any provision of the Illinois Insurance Code. (Source: P.A. 91-430, eff. 1-1-00; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

(225 ILCS 446/Act rep.)

Section 90-20. The Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of 1993 is repealed.

Section 90-25. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing Section 2-123 as follows:

[\(625 ILCS 5/2-123\)](#) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 2-123)

Sec. 2-123. Sale and Distribution of Information.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the Secretary may make the driver's license, vehicle and title registration lists, in part or in whole, and any statistical information derived from these lists available to local governments, elected state officials, state educational institutions, and all other governmental units of the State and Federal Government requesting them for governmental purposes. The Secretary shall require any such applicant for services to pay for the costs of furnishing such services and the use of the equipment involved, and in addition is empowered to establish prices and charges for the services so furnished and for the use of the electronic equipment utilized.

(b) The Secretary is further empowered to and he may, in his discretion, furnish to any applicant, other than listed in subsection (a) of this Section, vehicle or driver data on a computer tape, disk, other electronic format or computer processable medium, or printout at a fixed fee of \$ 250 in advance and require in addition a further sufficient deposit based upon the Secretary of State's estimate of the total cost of the information requested and a charge of \$ 25 per 1,000 units or part thereof identified or the actual cost, whichever is greater. The Secretary is authorized to refund any difference between the additional deposit and the actual cost of the request. This service shall not be in lieu of an abstract of a driver's record nor of a title or registration search. This service may be limited to entities purchasing a minimum number of records as required by administrative rule. The information sold pursuant to this subsection shall be the entire vehicle or driver data list, or part thereof. The information sold pursuant to this subsection shall not contain personally identifying information unless the information is to be used for one of the purposes identified in subsection (f-5) of this Section. Commercial purchasers of driver and vehicle record databases shall enter into a written agreement with the Secretary of State that includes disclosure of the commercial use of the information to be purchased.

(c) Secretary of State may issue registration lists. The Secretary of State shall compile and publish, at least annually, a list of all registered vehicles. Each list of registered vehicles shall be arranged serially according to the registration numbers assigned to registered vehicles and shall contain in addition the names and addresses of registered owners and a brief description of each vehicle including the serial or other identifying number thereof. Such compilation may be in such form as in the discretion of the Secretary of State may seem best for the purposes intended.

(d) The Secretary of State shall furnish no more than 2 current available lists of such registrations to the sheriffs of all counties and to the chiefs of police of all cities and villages and towns of 2,000 population and over in this State at no cost. Additional copies may be purchased by the sheriffs or chiefs of police at the fee of \$ 500 each or at the cost of producing the list as determined by the Secretary of State. Such lists are to be used for governmental purposes only.

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(f) The Secretary of State shall make a title or registration search of the records of his office and a written report on the same for any person, upon written application of such person, accompanied by a fee of \$ 5 for each registration or title search. The written application shall set forth the intended use of the requested information. No fee shall be charged for a title or registration search, or for the certification thereof requested by a government agency. The report of the title or registration search shall not contain personally identifying information unless the request for a search was made for one of the purposes identified in subsection (f-5) of this Section.

The Secretary of State shall certify a title or registration record upon written request. The fee for certification shall be \$ 5 in addition to the fee required for a title or registration search. Certification shall be made under the signature of the Secretary of State and shall be authenticated by Seal of the Secretary of State.

The Secretary of State may notify the vehicle owner or registrant of the request for purchase of his title or registration information as the Secretary deems appropriate.

No information shall be released to the requestor until expiration of a 10 day period. This 10 day period shall not apply to requests for information made by law enforcement officials, government agencies, financial institutions, attorneys, insurers, employers, automobile associated businesses, persons licensed as a private detective or firms licensed as a private detective agency under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, [A] PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 [D] and Private Security Act of 1983 [D] , who are employed by or are acting on behalf of law enforcement officials, government agencies, financial institutions, attorneys, insurers, employers, automobile associated businesses, and other business entities for purposes consistent with the Illinois Vehicle Code, the vehicle owner or registrant or other entities as the Secretary may exempt by rule and regulation.

Any misrepresentation made by a requestor of title or vehicle information shall be punishable as a petty offense, except in the case of persons licensed as a private detective or firms licensed as a private detective agency which shall

be subject to disciplinary sanctions under Section [A> 40-10 <A] [D> 22 or 25 <D] of the Private Detective, Private Alarm, [A> PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 <A] [D> and Private Security Act of 1983 <D] .

(f-5) The Secretary of State shall not disclose or otherwise make available to any person or entity any personally identifying information obtained by the Secretary of State in connection with a driver's license, vehicle, or title registration record unless the information is disclosed for one of the following purposes:

(1) For use by any government agency, including any court or law enforcement agency, in carrying out its functions, or any private person or entity acting on behalf of a federal, State, or local agency in carrying out its functions.

(2) For use in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft; motor vehicle emissions; motor vehicle product alterations, recalls, or advisories; performance monitoring of motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts, and dealers; and removal of non-owner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers.

(3) For use in the normal course of business by a legitimate business or its agents, employees, or contractors, but only:

(A) to verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by an individual to the business or its agents, employees, or contractors; and

(B) if such information as so submitted is not correct or is no longer correct, to obtain the correct information, but only for the purposes of preventing fraud by, pursuing legal remedies against, or recovering on a debt or security interest against, the individual.

(4) For use in research activities and for use in producing statistical reports, if the personally identifying information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact individuals.

(5) For use in connection with any civil, criminal, administrative, or arbitral proceeding in any federal, State, or local court or agency or before any self-regulatory body, including the service of process, investigation in anticipation of litigation, and the execution or enforcement of judgments and orders, or pursuant to an order of a federal, State, or local court.

(6) For use by any insurer or insurance support organization or by a self-insured entity or its agents, employees, or contractors in connection with claims investigation activities, antifraud activities, rating, or underwriting.

(7) For use in providing notice to the owners of towed or impounded vehicles.

(8) For use by any private investigative agency or security service licensed in Illinois for any purpose permitted under this subsection.

(9) For use by an employer or its agent or insurer to obtain or verify information relating to a holder of a commercial driver's license that is required under chapter 313 of title 49 of the United States Code.

(10) For use in connection with the operation of private toll transportation facilities.

(11) For use by any requester, if the requester demonstrates it has obtained the written consent of the individual to whom the information pertains.

(12) For use by members of the news media, as defined in Section 1-148.5, for the purpose of newsgathering when the request relates to the operation of a motor vehicle or public safety.

(13) For any other use specifically authorized by law, if that use is related to the operation of a motor vehicle or public safety.

(g) 1. The Secretary of State may, upon receipt of a written request and a fee of \$ 6, furnish to the person or agency so requesting a driver's record. Such document may include a record of: current driver's license issuance information, except that the information on judicial driving permits shall be available only as otherwise provided by this Code; convictions; orders entered revoking, suspending or cancelling a driver's license or privilege; and notations of accident involvement. All other information, unless otherwise permitted by this Code, shall remain confidential. Information released pursuant to a request for a driver's record shall not contain personally identifying information, unless the request for the driver's record was made for one of the purposes set forth in subsection (f-5) of this Section.

2. The Secretary of State may certify an abstract of a driver's record upon written request therefor. Such certification shall be made under the signature of the Secretary of State and shall be authenticated by the Seal of his office.

3. All requests for driving record information shall be made in a manner prescribed by the Secretary and shall set forth the intended use of the requested information.

The Secretary of State may notify the affected driver of the request for purchase of his driver's record as the Secretary deems appropriate.

No information shall be released to the requester until expiration of a 10 day period. This 10 day period shall not apply to requests for information made by law enforcement officials, government agencies, financial institutions, attorneys, insurers, employers, automobile associated businesses, persons licensed as a private detective or firms licensed as a private detective agency under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, [A] PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 [D] and Private Security Act of 1983 [D], who are employed by or are acting on behalf of law enforcement officials, government agencies, financial institutions, attorneys, insurers, employers, automobile associated businesses, and other business entities for purposes consistent with the Illinois Vehicle Code, the affected driver or other entities as the Secretary may exempt by rule and regulation.

Any misrepresentation made by a requestor of driver information shall be punishable as a petty offense, except in the case of persons licensed as a private detective or firms licensed as a private detective agency which shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions under Section [A] 40-10 [D] 22 or 25 [D] of the Private Detective, Private Alarm, [A] PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 [D] and Private Security Act of 1983 [D].

4. The Secretary of State may furnish without fee, upon the written request of a law enforcement agency, any information from a driver's record on file with the Secretary of State when such information is required in the enforcement of this Code or any other law relating to the operation of motor vehicles, including records of dispositions; documented information involving the use of a motor vehicle; whether such individual has, or previously had, a driver's license; and the address and personal description as reflected on said driver's record.

5. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the Secretary of State may furnish, without fee, information from an individual driver's record on file, if a written request therefor is submitted by any public transit system or authority, public defender, law enforcement agency, a state or federal agency, or an Illinois local intergovernmental association, if the request is for the purpose of a background check of applicants for employment with the requesting agency, or for the purpose of an official investigation conducted by the agency, or to determine a current address for the driver so public funds can be recovered or paid to the driver, or for any other purpose set forth in subsection (f-5) of this Section.

The Secretary may also furnish the courts a copy of an abstract of a driver's record, without fee, subsequent to an arrest for a violation of Section 11-501 or a similar provision of a local ordinance. Such abstract may include records of dispositions; documented information involving the use of a motor vehicle as contained in the current file; whether such individual has, or previously had, a driver's license; and the address and personal description as reflected on said driver's record.

6. Any certified abstract issued by the Secretary of State or transmitted electronically by the Secretary of State pursuant to this Section, to a court or on request of a law enforcement agency, for the record of a named person

as to the status of the person's driver's license shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated and if the name appearing in such abstract is the same as that of a person named in an information or warrant, such abstract shall be prima facie evidence that the person named in such information or warrant is the same person as the person named in such abstract and shall be admissible for any prosecution under this Code and be admitted as proof of any prior conviction or proof of records, notices, or orders recorded on individual driving records maintained by the Secretary of State.

7. Subject to any restrictions contained in the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, and upon receipt of a proper request and a fee of \$ 6, the Secretary of State shall provide a driver's record to the affected driver, or the affected driver's attorney, upon verification. Such record shall contain all the information referred to in paragraph 1 of this subsection (g) plus: any recorded accident involvement as a driver; information recorded pursuant to subsection (e) of Section 6-117 and paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of Section 6-204 of this Code. All other information, unless otherwise permitted by this Code, shall remain confidential.

(h) The Secretary shall not disclose social security numbers except pursuant to a written request by, or with the prior written consent of, the individual except: (1) to officers and employees of the Secretary who have a need to know the social security numbers in performance of their official duties, (2) to law enforcement officials for a lawful, civil or criminal law enforcement investigation, and if the head of the law enforcement agency has made a written request to the Secretary specifying the law enforcement investigation for which the social security numbers are being sought, (3) to the United States Department of Transportation, or any other State, pursuant to the administration and enforcement of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986, (4) pursuant to the order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or (5) to the Department of Public Aid for utilization in the child support enforcement duties assigned to that Department under provisions of the Public Aid Code after the individual has received advanced meaningful notification of what redisclosure is sought by the Secretary in accordance with the federal Privacy Act.

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(j) Medical statements or medical reports received in the Secretary of State's Office shall be confidential. No confidential information may be open to public inspection or the contents disclosed to anyone, except officers and employees of the Secretary who have a need to know the information contained in the medical reports and the Driver License Medical Advisory Board, unless so directed by an order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

(k) All fees collected under this Section shall be paid into the Road Fund of the State Treasury, except that \$ 3 of the \$ 6 fee for a driver's record shall be paid into the Secretary of State Special Services Fund.

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(m) Notations of accident involvement that may be disclosed under this Section shall not include notations relating to damage to a vehicle or other property being transported by a tow truck. This information shall remain confidential, provided that nothing in this subsection (m) shall limit disclosure of any notification of accident involvement to any law enforcement agency or official.

(n) Requests made by the news media for driver's license, vehicle, or title registration information may be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the Secretary, when the specific purpose for requesting the documents is deemed to be in the public interest. Waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest if the principal purpose of the request is to access and disseminate information regarding the health, safety, and welfare or the legal rights of the general public and is not for the principal purpose of gaining a personal or commercial benefit. The information provided pursuant to this subsection shall not contain personally identifying information unless the information is to be used for one of the purposes identified in subsection (f-5) of this Section.

(o) The redisclosure of personally identifying information obtained pursuant to this Section is prohibited, except to the extent necessary to effectuate the purpose for which the original disclosure of the information was permitted.

(p) The Secretary of State is empowered to adopt rules to effectuate this Section. (Source: P.A. 91-37, eff. 7-1-99; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 91-716, eff. 10-1-00; 92-32, eff. 7-1-01; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02.)

Section 90-30. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by changing Section 24-2 as follows:

[\(720 ILCS 5/24-2\)](#) (from Ch. 38, par. 24-2)

Sec. 24-2. Exemptions.

(a) Subsections 24-1(a)(3), 24-1(a)(4) and 24-1(a)(10) and Section 24-1.6 do not apply to or affect any of the following:

(1) Peace officers, and any person summoned by a peace officer to assist in making arrests or preserving the peace, while actually engaged in assisting such officer.

(2) Wardens, superintendents and keepers of prisons, penitentiaries, jails and other institutions for the detention of persons accused or convicted of an offense, while in the performance of their official duty, or while commuting between their homes and places of employment.

(3) Members of the Armed Services or Reserve Forces of the United States or the Illinois National Guard or the Reserve Officers Training Corps, while in the performance of their official duty.

(4) Special agents employed by a railroad or a public utility to perform police functions, and guards of armored car companies, while actually engaged in the performance of the duties of their employment or commuting between their homes and places of employment; and watchmen while actually engaged in the performance of the duties of their employment.

(5) Persons licensed as private security contractors, private detectives, or private alarm contractors, or employed by an agency certified by the Department of Professional Regulation, if their duties include the carrying of a weapon under the provisions of the Private Detective, Private Alarm, [A] PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 [D] and Private Security Act of 1983 [D], while actually engaged in the performance of the duties of their employment or commuting between their homes and places of employment, provided that such commuting is accomplished within one hour from departure from home or place of employment, as the case may be. Persons exempted under this subdivision (a)(5) shall be required to have completed a course of study in firearms handling and training approved and supervised by the Department of Professional Regulation as prescribed by Section 28 of the Private Detective, Private Alarm, [A] PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 [D] and Private Security Act of 1983 [D], prior to becoming eligible for this exemption. The Department of Professional Regulation shall provide suitable documentation demonstrating the successful completion of the prescribed firearms training. Such documentation shall be carried at all times when such persons are in possession of a concealable weapon.

(6) Any person regularly employed in a commercial or industrial operation as a security guard for the protection of persons employed and private property related to such commercial or industrial operation, while actually engaged in the performance of his or her duty or traveling between sites or properties belonging to the employer, and who, as a security guard, is a member of a security force of at least 5 persons registered with the Department of Professional Regulation; provided that such security guard has successfully completed a course of study, approved by and supervised by the Department of Professional Regulation, consisting of not less than 40 hours of training that includes the theory of law enforcement, liability for acts, and the handling of weapons. A person shall be considered eligible for this exemption if he or she has completed the required 20 hours of training for a security officer and 20 hours of required firearm training, and has been issued a firearm authorization card by the Department of Professional Regulation. Conditions for the renewal of firearm authorization cards issued under the provisions of this Section shall be the same as for those cards issued under the provisions of the Private Detective, Private Alarm [A], PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 [D] and Private Security Act of 1983 [D]. Such firearm authorization card shall be carried by the security guard at all times when he or she is in possession of a concealable weapon.

(7) Agents and investigators of the Illinois Legislative Investigating Commission authorized by the Commission to carry the weapons specified in subsections 24-1(a)(3) and 24-1(a)(4), while on duty in the course of any investigation for the Commission.

(8) Persons employed by a financial institution for the protection of other employees and property related to such financial institution, while actually engaged in the performance of their duties, commuting between their homes and places of employment, or traveling between sites or properties owned or operated by such financial institution, provided that any person so employed has successfully completed a course of study, approved by and supervised by the Department of Professional Regulation, consisting of not less than 40 hours of training which includes theory of law enforcement, liability for acts, and the handling of weapons. A person shall be considered to be eligible for this exemption if he or she has completed the required 20 hours of training for a security officer and 20 hours of required firearm training, and has been issued a firearm authorization card by the Department of Professional Regulation. Conditions for renewal of firearm authorization cards issued under the provisions of this Section shall be the same as for those issued under the provisions of the Private Detective, Private Alarm [A] , PRIVATE SECURITY, AND LOCKSMITH ACT OF 2004 [D] and Private Security Act of 1983 [D] . Such firearm authorization card shall be carried by the person so trained at all times when such person is in possession of a concealable weapon. For purposes of this subsection, "financial institution" means a bank, savings and loan association, credit union or company providing armored car services.

(9) Any person employed by an armored car company to drive an armored car, while actually engaged in the performance of his duties.

(10) Persons who have been classified as peace officers pursuant to the Peace Officer Fire Investigation Act.

(11) Investigators of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor authorized by the board of governors of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor to carry weapons pursuant to Section 7.06 of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor's Act.

(12) Special investigators appointed by a State's Attorney under Section 3-9005 of the Counties Code.

(13) Court Security Officers while in the performance of their official duties, or while commuting between their homes and places of employment, with the consent of the Sheriff.

(13.5) A person employed as an armed security guard at a nuclear energy, storage, weapons or development site or facility regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission who has completed the background screening and training mandated by the rules and regulations of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

(14) Manufacture, transportation, or sale of weapons to persons authorized under subdivisions (1) through (13.5) of this subsection to possess those weapons.

(b) Subsections 24-1(a)(4) and 24-1(a)(10) and Section 24-1.6 do not apply to or affect any of the following:

(1) Members of any club or organization organized for the purpose of practicing shooting at targets upon established target ranges, whether public or private, and patrons of such ranges, while such members or patrons are using their firearms on those target ranges.

(2) Duly authorized military or civil organizations while parading, with the special permission of the Governor.

(3) Hunters, trappers or fishermen with a license or permit while engaged in hunting, trapping or fishing.

(4) Transportation of weapons that are broken down in a non-functioning state or are not immediately accessible.

(c) Subsection 24-1(a)(7) does not apply to or affect any of the following:

(1) Peace officers while in performance of their official duties.

(2) Wardens, superintendents and keepers of prisons, penitentiaries, jails and other institutions for the detention of persons accused or convicted of an offense.

(3) Members of the Armed Services or Reserve Forces of the United States or the Illinois National Guard, while in the performance of their official duty.

(4) Manufacture, transportation, or sale of machine guns to persons authorized under subdivisions (1) through (3) of this subsection to possess machine guns, if the machine guns are broken down in a non-functioning state or are not immediately accessible.

(5) Persons licensed under federal law to manufacture any weapon from which 8 or more shots or bullets can be discharged by a single function of the firing device, or ammunition for such weapons, and actually engaged in the business of manufacturing such weapons or ammunition, but only with respect to activities which are within the lawful scope of such business, such as the manufacture, transportation, or testing of such weapons or ammunition. This exemption does not authorize the general private possession of any weapon from which 8 or more shots or bullets can be discharged by a single function of the firing device, but only such possession and activities as are within the lawful scope of a licensed manufacturing business described in this paragraph.

During transportation, such weapons shall be broken down in a non-functioning state or not immediately accessible.

(6) The manufacture, transport, testing, delivery, transfer or sale, and all lawful commercial or experimental activities necessary thereto, of rifles, shotguns, and weapons made from rifles or shotguns, or ammunition for such rifles, shotguns or weapons, where engaged in by a person operating as a contractor or subcontractor pursuant to a contract or subcontract for the development and supply of such rifles, shotguns, weapons or ammunition to the United States government or any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States, when such activities are necessary and incident to fulfilling the terms of such contract.

The exemption granted under this subdivision (c)(6) shall also apply to any authorized agent of any such contractor or subcontractor who is operating within the scope of his employment, where such activities involving such weapon, weapons or ammunition are necessary and incident to fulfilling the terms of such contract.

During transportation, any such weapon shall be broken down in a non-functioning state, or not immediately accessible.

(d) Subsection 24-1(a)(1) does not apply to the purchase, possession or carrying of a black-jack or slung-shot by a peace officer.

(e) Subsection 24-1(a)(8) does not apply to any owner, manager or authorized employee of any place specified in that subsection nor to any law enforcement officer.

(f) Subsection 24-1(a)(4) and subsection 24-1(a)(10) and Section 24-1.6 do not apply to members of any club or organization organized for the purpose of practicing shooting at targets upon established target ranges, whether public or private, while using their firearms on those target ranges.

(g) Subsections 24-1(a)(11) and 24-3.1(a)(6) do not apply to:

(1) Members of the Armed Services or Reserve Forces of the United States or the Illinois National Guard, while in the performance of their official duty.

(2) Bonafide collectors of antique or surplus military ordinance.

(3) Laboratories having a department of forensic ballistics, or specializing in the development of ammunition or explosive ordinance.

(4) Commerce, preparation, assembly or possession of explosive bullets by manufacturers of ammunition licensed by the federal government, in connection with the supply of those organizations and persons exempted by

subdivision (g)(1) of this Section, or like organizations and persons outside this State, or the transportation of explosive bullets to any organization or person exempted in this Section by a common carrier or by a vehicle owned or leased by an exempted manufacturer.

(h) An information or indictment based upon a violation of any subsection of this Article need not negative any exemptions contained in this Article. The defendant shall have the burden of proving such an exemption.

(i) Nothing in this Article shall prohibit, apply to, or affect the transportation, carrying, or possession, of any pistol or revolver, stun gun, taser, or other firearm consigned to a common carrier operating under license of the State of Illinois or the federal government, where such transportation, carrying, or possession is incident to the lawful transportation in which such common carrier is engaged; and nothing in this Article shall prohibit, apply to, or affect the transportation, carrying, or possession of any pistol, revolver, stun gun, taser, or other firearm, not the subject of and regulated by subsection 24-1(a)(7) or subsection 24-2(c) of this Article, which is unloaded and enclosed in a case, firearm carrying box, shipping box, or other container, by the possessor of a valid Firearm Owners Identification Card. (Source: P.A. 91-287, eff. 1-1-00; 91-690, eff. 4-13-00; 92-325, eff. 8-9-01.)

Section 90-35. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by changing Section 2-202 as follows:

[\(735 ILCS 5/2-202\)](#) (from Ch. 110, par. 2-202)

Sec. 2-202. Persons authorized to serve process; Place of service; Failure to make return.

(a) Process shall be served by a sheriff, or if the sheriff is disqualified, by a coroner of some county of the State. A sheriff of a county with a population of less than 1,000,000 may employ civilian personnel to serve process. In counties with a population of less than 1,000,000, process may be served, without special appointment, by a person who is licensed or registered as a private detective under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of [A> 2004 <A] [D> 1993 <D] or by a registered employee of a private detective agency certified under that Act. A private detective or licensed employee must supply the sheriff of any county in which he serves process with a copy of his license or certificate; however, the failure of a person to supply the copy shall not in any way impair the validity of process served by the person. The court may, in its discretion upon motion, order service to be made by a private person over 18 years of age and not a party to the action. It is not necessary that service be made by a sheriff or coroner of the county in which service is made. If served or sought to be served by a sheriff or coroner, he or she shall endorse his or her return thereon, and if by a private person the return shall be by affidavit.

(a-5) Upon motion and in its discretion, the court may appoint as a special process server a private detective agency certified under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of [A> 2004 <A] [D> 1993 <D] . Under the appointment, any employee of the private detective agency who is registered under that Act may serve the process. The motion and the order of appointment must contain the number of the certificate issued to the private detective agency by the Department of Professional Regulation under the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act of [A> 2004 <A] [D> 1993 <D] .

(b) Summons may be served upon the defendants wherever they may be found in the State, by any person authorized to serve process. An officer may serve summons in his or her official capacity outside his or her county, but fees for mileage outside the county of the officer cannot be taxed as costs. The person serving the process in a foreign county may make return by mail.

(c) If any sheriff, coroner, or other person to whom any process is delivered, neglects or refuses to make return of the same, the plaintiff may petition the court to enter a rule requiring the sheriff, coroner, or other person, to make return of the process on a day to be fixed by the court, or to show cause on that day why that person should not be attached for contempt of the court. The plaintiff shall then cause a written notice of the rule to be served on the sheriff, coroner, or other person. If good and sufficient cause be not shown to excuse the officer or other person, the court shall adjudge him or her guilty of a contempt, and shall impose punishment as in other cases of contempt.

(d) If process is served by a sheriff or coroner, the court may tax the fee of the sheriff or coroner as costs in the proceeding. If process is served by a private person or entity, the court may establish a fee therefor and tax such fee as costs in the proceedings.

(e) In addition to the powers stated in Section 8.1a of the Housing Authorities Act, in counties with a population of 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, members of a housing authority police force may serve process for forcible entry and detainer actions commenced by that housing authority and may execute orders of possession for that housing authority.

(f) In counties with a population of 3,000,000 or more, process may be served, with special appointment by the court, by a private process server or a law enforcement agency other than the county sheriff in proceedings instituted under the Forcible Entry and Detainer Article of this Code as a result of a lessor or lessor's assignee declaring a lease void pursuant to Section 11 of the Controlled Substance and Cannabis Nuisance Act. (Source: P.A. 90-557, eff. 6-1-98; 91-95, eff. 7-9-99.)

ARTICLE 99. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 99-5. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.

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