

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2361

Introduced by Assembly Member Santiago

February 18, 2016

An act to add Section 830.75 to the Penal Code, relating to peace officers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2361, as introduced, Santiago. Peace officers: independent institutions of higher education.

Existing law designates all persons who meet specified standards as peace officers. Existing law requires any sheriff, undersheriff, deputy sheriff or police officer, as specified, to successfully complete a course of training prescribed by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training before exercising the powers of a peace officer.

This bill would authorize an independent institution of higher education, as defined, to designate a person regularly employed as a security officer as a peace officer during the course of and within the scope of his or her employment, as specified, provided that the person successfully completes the course of training described above.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 830.75 is added to the Penal Code, to
2 read:
3 830.75. (a) A person regularly employed as a security officer
4 for an independent institution of higher education as defined in

1 subdivision (b) of Section 66010 of the Education Code, may be
2 designated as a peace officer during the course and within the
3 scope of his or her employment, if the institution has, with the
4 sheriff or chief of police of within whose jurisdiction the institution
5 is located, entered into a memorandum of understanding that
6 permits the exercise of that authority.

7 (b) Before exercising the powers of a peace officer, a person
8 designated as a peace officer pursuant to subdivision (a) shall
9 successfully complete a course of training prescribed by the
10 Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training pursuant to
11 Section 832.3.

12 (c) A person designated as a peace officer pursuant to
13 subdivision (a) shall not be reimbursed with state funds for any
14 training he or she receives, and shall not be eligible to participate
15 in any state or municipal retirement system based on his or her
16 designation as a peace officer pursuant to subdivision (a).

17 (d) A person designated as a peace officer pursuant to
18 subdivision (a) may carry a firearm in the course of his or her
19 duties only if authorized by and under the terms and conditions of
20 his or her employing agency.