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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 163 (Senator Munson)

Judicial Proceedings

Commerce and Government Matters

**Business Occupations - Security Guard Agencies - Correctional Supervisor
Experience and Training**

This bill alters the provisions governing the qualifications of an individual or firm seeking licensure as a security guard or a security guard agency. It allows a minimum of five years experience as a full-time correctional supervisor in a correctional facility in Maryland and the completion of required training by the Correctional Training Commission to substitute for other existing training and experience requirements.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not substantively change State activities or operations.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal. The bill's changes in licensure standards for security guard firms are not expected to have a measurable impact on this industry.

Analysis

Current Law: The experience and training requirements for individuals or representatives of firms seeking State security guard licenses are as follows:

- at least five years experience as a certified full-time private detective;

- at least five years of experience as a full-time police officer and successful completion of the police officer training course by the Police Training Commission;
- at least three years of experience in an investigative capacity as a police detective;
- at least three years of experience in a law enforcement investigative capacity for any federal or Maryland governmental unit, and successful completion of the police officer training course by the Police Training Commission; or
- at least five years of experience as a full-time fire investigator for a State or local fire department or law enforcement agency of Maryland, and successful completion of certified training by the Police Training Commission or the Maryland Fire-Rescue Education and Training Commission.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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