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Amendments to SB 949 – Police Officers – Education Requirements – Certification and Scholarships

Amendment #1

On page 2:

Strike lines 29-30 in their entirety.

Explanation: This amendment removes the requirement that a police officer hold an associate's or bachelor's degree. We don't believe that an officer certification should require a higher degree.

Amendment #2

On page 3:

Strike lines 8-10 in their entirety.

Explanation: See explanation to amendment #1.

Amendment #3

On page 3:

Strike lines 14-17 in their entirety.

Explanation: See explanation to amendment #1.

Amendment #4

On page 4:

Strike lines 15-22 in their entirety.

Explanation: This amendment removes the definition of "technical infraction." This is irrelevant because we've removed all references to "technical infractions" in future amendments.

Amendment #5

On page 5:

Strike lines 6-7 in their entirety.

Explanation: See explanation to amendment #1.

Amendment #6

On page 5:

In line 24, after (I), insert:

HAS RETIRED OR RESIGNED IN GOOD STANDING;

Explanation: This adds an eligibility requirement for the scholarship application that the officer be in good standing if the officer retired or resigned.

Amendment #7

On page 5:

Strike lines 27-28 in their entirety.

Explanation: This amendment removes the eligibility requirement for the scholarship that an officer have not been reprimanded for misconduct. We believe an officer should remain eligible despite receiving a reprimand. There could be many reasons why an officer may have received a reprimand, and thus should not exclude the officer from the bill. By adding the “good standing” language to other provisions of the bill, we believe this accomplishes the intent of this amendment.

Amendment #8

On page 6:

In line 23, after **(I)**, insert:

HAS RETIRED OR RESIGNED IN GOOD STANDING;

Explanation: See explanation to amendment #6.

Amendment #9

On page 7:

Strike lines 1-2 in their entirety.

Explanation: See explanation to amendment #7.

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