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STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS BOARD

I, Jerry Hancock, Secretary of the Law Enforcement Standards Board and custodian of the official records, certify that the annexed rules, relating to educational standards for law enforcement employment, were duly approved and adopted by this board on December 1, 1992.

I further certify that this copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this department and that it is a true copy of the original, and of the whole of the original.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at 123 West Washington Avenue in the City of Madison, this 10th day of December, 1992.

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ORDER OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS BOARD

The Law Enforcement Standards Board proposes an order to renumber LES 2.01 (1)(e) through (g) to be LES 2.01 (1)(f) through (h); and to create LES 2.01 (1)(e) relating to increased educational standards for employment for law enforcement officers.

Analysis prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Training and Standards Bureau.

Statutory Authority: 165.85 (3)(a)
Statutes Interpreted: 165.85 (3)(b)

The following proposed rules increase the employment educational standard for law enforcement officers to 60 college credits or to an associate degree. The Law Enforcement Standards Board may waive up to 30 college credits for applicants who can document relevant experience. The new standard would apply only to officers first employed after February 1, 1993, and must be reached within five years of employment.

SECTION 1. LES 2.01 (1)(e) through (g) are renumbered to read LES 2.01 (1)(f) through (h).

SECTION 2. LES 2.01 (1)(e) is created to read:

LES 2.01 (1)(e). An applicant for employment as a law enforcement officer shall possess either a two year associate degree from a Wisconsin vocational, technical, and adult education district or its accredited equivalent from another state or a minimum of 60 fully accredited college level credits. An applicant who has not met this standard at the time of employment shall meet this standard as a requirement of recertification by the Board at the end of his or her fifth year of employment as a law enforcement officer. At the request of an applicant and upon documentation of experiences that have enhanced his or her writing, problem solving and other communication skills, the Board may waive a maximum of 30 college level credits. This educational standard shall apply to applicants first employed as law enforcement officers on or after February 1, 1993.