

INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
Commission Regulation 1081
Minimum Standards for Legislatively Mandated Courses

In 1999, the Campus Law Enforcement course was adopted by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) to satisfy the training requirement specified in Penal Code sections 832.2 and 832.3(g). This training is mandated for community college and school district police defined in Penal Code section 830.32.

When the course was originally adopted, it was designed as a 32 hour course, which included a one hour written examination to be given to the attendees at the conclusion of the course blocks of instruction. However, the course outline did not address the examination in detail. POST staff convened workshops with subject matter resources and discovered that the lack of information on the exam was causing confusion for the presenters. For example, there was no reference regarding what was to be covered in the examination, no direction on the format of the examination, or what would be considered a passing score. There was also no verbiage discussing remediation, should an attendee fail the exam. Because of this lack of specificity, over the course of time, there became little consistency in exam delivery and content; and some presenters intentionally dropped the required exam in lieu of using the hour in some other block of course instruction. Additionally, subject matter resources expressed concern that some of the individual blocks of course instruction were not allotted enough time in which to adequately cover the mandated material, and noted that the course was in need of updating to reflect current trends and tactics used in response to hostile threats on campus.

To address these issues, POST staff and subject matter resources reworked the course, increasing the hours from 32 to 40. The hours in various topical areas were adjusted to allow for more instructional time in the areas of Laws and Liability/Mandated Reported Requirements, Tactical Awareness (including new material on response to active shooters on campus), and Standardized Emergency Management/Incident Command Systems. The one hour written examination that was previously to be given at the end of the course was replaced with four hours of presenter-developed Learning Activities and Group Exercises, to enhance instruction and address local presenter needs.

Significant Statewide Adverse Economic Impact Directly Affecting California Businesses, Including Small Businesses

The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training has made an initial determination that the amended regulations will not have a significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting California businesses, including the ability to compete with businesses in other states. The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training has found that the proposed amendments will have no effect on California businesses, including small businesses, because the Commission sets selection and training standards for law enforcement and does not impact California businesses, including small businesses.

Cost Impacts on Representative Private Persons or Businesses

The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with this proposed action.

Assessment

The adoption of the proposed regulation amendments will neither create nor eliminate jobs in the state of California and will not result in the elimination of existing businesses or create or expand businesses in the State of California.

INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
Commission Regulation 1081
Minimum Standards for Legislatively Mandated Courses

Considerations of Alternatives

To take this action, the Commission must determine that no reasonable alternative considered by the Commission or otherwise identified and brought to the attention of the Commission, would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed, or would be as effective as and less burdensome to effected private persons than the proposed action.