

CHAPTER 244--H.F.No. 2654

An act relating to public safety; eliminating part-time peace officer licensure; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 626.8468, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 626.8462; 626.8464; 626.8465, subdivision 3; 626.8468, subdivision 2; Minnesota Rules, part 6700.1101, subparts 5, 6.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 626.8468, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Cap on number of part-time peace officers per agency Grandfather provision.** (a) ~~A law enforcement agency that employed a licensed part-time peace officer or that was in the process of training an individual to become a licensed part-time peace officer on or before February 1, 1999, June 30, 2014, may continue to do so employ that part-time peace officer indefinitely. The board shall cancel the license of a part-time peace officer who leaves the officer's agency of employment after June 30, 2014. The board shall cancel the license of a part-time peace officer who is not employed by a law enforcement agency on or after June 30, 2014. No agency may employ more part-time peace officers than it employed in calendar year 1996, 1997, or 1998, except the State Fair Police Department may employ up to 15 licensed part-time peace officers.~~

(b) ~~After January 1, 2000, the board may issue additional part-time peace officer licenses to a law enforcement agency that employs a part-time peace officer and that demonstrates to the board an extraordinary and temporary need for the additional license.~~

(c) ~~If a local unit of government dissolves a law enforcement agency that employs a part-time peace officer authorized under this subdivision and contracts with another law enforcement agency to provide law enforcement services, the law enforcement agency contracted with may add that number of part-time positions to the agency's maximum under this subdivision if the agency hires or offers employment to all full-time peace officers employed by the dissolved agency at the time of dissolution. The employment offered must be of comparable responsibility and salary.~~

Sec. 2. **RULE CHANGE.**

~~The Peace Officer Standards and Training Board shall amend Minnesota Rules, parts 6700.0600, subpart 2; 6700.1000, subparts 1, 2, 7, and 9; and 6700.1101, subpart 2, so that new part-time peace officer licenses are not issued and that existing licenses are canceled when a part-time license holder either leaves the officer's agency of employment or is not employed by a law enforcement agency on or after June 30, 2014. The board may invoke the good cause exemption to the rulemaking procedures in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14, as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to implement the conforming amendments listed in this section.~~

Sec. 3. **REPEALER.**

~~(a) Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 626.8462; 626.8464; 626.8465, subdivision 3; and 626.8468, subdivision 2, are repealed.~~

(b) Minnesota Rules, part 6700.1101, subparts 5 and 6, are repealed.

Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 3 are effective June 30, 2014.

Presented to the governor May 12, 2014

Signed by the governor May 13, 2014, 12:04 p.m.