



# HOUSE BILL 100: Required Training Police Telecommunicators.

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 100 would require all persons employed as a telecommunicator with a municipal police department to meet the eligibility requirements for telecommunicators established by the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Training standards for deputy sheriffs are established in Chapter 17E of the General Statutes and by the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission. Training standards for *municipal police personnel* are established in Chapter 17C of the General Statutes and by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission.

Deputy sheriffs appointed as telecommunicators after March 1, 1998 must comply with entry-level training standards adopted by the Sheriffs' Commission. G.S. 17E-7(c1). Currently, no training standards exist for persons employed as telecommunicators by municipal police departments.

The term "telecommunicator" means "any person performing responsibilities, either full time, part time, permanent or temporary basis, for communication functions to include receiving calls or dispatching for emergency and law enforcement services." 12 NCAC 10B .0103(15).

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 100 would require that, effective July 1, 2021, any person employed as a telecommunicator by a municipal police department must meet the requirements for telecommunicators as set forth by the Sheriffs' Commission.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act would be effective when it becomes law.

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