



# HOUSE BILL 760: Expand Loss Prevention Investigations.

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 760 would expand the investigative authority of loss prevention workers by clarifying that such workers are not included in the definition of a private protective services profession.*

**CURRENT LAW:** No person, firm, association, or corporation shall engage in, perform, any service as, or in any way represent or hold itself out as engaged in a *private protective services profession* or activity in this State without having a license. G.S. 74C-2.

A private protective services profession **includes**:

- Armored car profession.
- Courier services profession.
- Detection of deception examiner.
- Electronic countermeasure profession.
- Security guard and patrol profession.
- Guard dog service profession.
- Private detective or private investigator.
- Special limited guard and patrol profession. G.S. 74C-3(a).

A private protective services profession **does not include** an employee of a security department of a private business that conduct investigations exclusively on matters internal to the business of affairs of the business. G.S. 74C-3(b)(14).

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

**House Bill 760** would amend G.S. 74C-3(b)(14) to clarify that loss prevention employees are not included in the definition of a private protection services profession.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act becomes effective October 1, 2019.

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