

## **HOUSE BILL 611:**

## Modify Training/Standards Commissions Power.

## 2023-2024 General Assembly

Committee: House Judiciary 2. If favorable, re-refer to Date: April 26, 2023

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 611 would modify the powers of the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission and the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission.

**CURRENT LAW:** Chapter 17C of the North Carolina General Statutes establishes the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission (Criminal Justice Commission) and Chapter 17E of the North Carolina General Statutes establishes the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission (Sheriffs' Commission) to create rules and procedures related to the selection, training, and retention of criminal justice officers.

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

House Bill 611 would clarify that the powers granted to the Criminal Justice Commission and the Sheriffs' Commission to establish minimum education and experience levels, to establish standards related to certification, and to investigate compliance would apply to not only criminal justice instructors and school directors, but also to those with probationary or limited teaching privileges, qualified assistants, in-service training coordinators, and executive officers.

The remainder of House Bill 611 modifies the Sheriffs' Commission statutes to be more consistent with the Criminal Justice Commission statutes by granting them the same power to recertify, suspend, revoke, or deny certifications and clarifying that any papers, documents, or other records that are property of the Sheriffs' Education Commission and placed in a criminal justice officer's personnel file are subject to the same disclosure requirements regarding the privacy of personnel records as those set forth in Chapter 126 (North Carolina Human Resource Act), 153A (Counties), and 160A (Cities) of the General Statutes.

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



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