

SENATE BILL No. 35

January 11, 1989, Introduced by Senators DILLINGHAM, CARL, CHERRY, POSTHUMUS, NICHOLS, DI NELLO, WELBORN, BINSFELD, CROPSEY and GEAKE and referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice, Urban Affairs, and Economic Development.

A bill to amend section 12 of Act No. 415 of the Public Acts of 1982, entitled
"Correctional officers' training act of 1982,"
as amended by Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1985, being section 791.512 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 12 of Act No. 415 of the Public Acts of
2 1982, as amended by Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1985, being
3 section 791.512 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read
4 as follows:

5 Sec. 12. (1) Except as provided for in subsections (2) and
6 (3), a person who is not employed as a state correctional officer
7 on March 30, 1983 and who is not employed as a state correctional
8 officer until after December 31, 1984, shall not be certified or

1 recertified by the Michigan commission of corrections unless he
2 or she has done all of the following:

3 (a) Obtained a high school diploma or attained a passing
4 score on the general education development test indicating a high
5 school graduation level.

6 (b) Successfully completed all of the following:

7 (i) ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

8 (A) A vocational certificate program AS DETERMINED BY THE
9 COUNCIL, earned from an accredited ~~post secondary~~ POSTSECONDARY
10 educational institution, which program shall require a minimum of
11 15 SEMESTER credit hours ~~, or an equivalent, of courses as~~
12 ~~determined by the council~~ OR 23 TERM CREDIT HOURS.

13 (B) EQUIVALENT COURSE WORK TO A VOCATIONAL CERTIFICATE PRO-
14 GRAM, AS DETERMINED BY THE COUNCIL, EARNED FROM AN ACCREDITED
15 POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, WHICH COURSE WORK SHALL
16 REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF 15 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS OR 23 TERM CREDIT
17 HOURS. THE CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (B) MAY
18 BE EARNED BEFORE OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY
19 ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBPARAGRAPH.

20 (C) A DEGREE GRANTED BY AN ACCREDITED POSTSECONDARY EDUCA-
21 TIONAL INSTITUTION IN A MAJOR DISCIPLINE OF STUDY THAT IS RELE-
22 VANT TO THE POSITION OF STATE CORRECTIONAL OFFICER, AS DETERMINED
23 BY THE COUNCIL IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CIVIL SERVICE
24 COMMISSION. A DEGREE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (C) MAY BE
25 EARNED BEFORE OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT
26 THAT ADDED THIS SUBPARAGRAPH.

1 (ii) A minimum of 2 months of supervised, paid internship,
2 as determined by the council, as an intern in a correctional
3 facility.

4 (iii) A minimum of 320 hours of new employee training, as
5 determined by the council, at the central training academy.

6 (c) Fulfilled other minimum standards and requirements
7 developed pursuant to section 13 by the council and approved by
8 the state civil service commission and corrections commission for
9 certification and subsequently for recertification.

10 (2) A person who is employed as a correctional officer or an
11 immediate supervisor of a correctional officer at the FORMER
12 Detroit house of correction on December 31, 1984 shall automati-
13 cally be certified and annually recertified by the Michigan com-
14 mission of corrections until December 31, 1985. Beginning
15 January 1, 1986, a person who is employed as a correctional offi-
16 cer or an immediate supervisor of a correctional officer at the
17 FORMER Detroit house of correction on December 31, 1984 shall not
18 be recertified unless he or she has done both of the following:

19 (a) Completed successfully a minimum of 160 hours of train-
20 ing provided by the department.

21 (b) Fulfilled other minimum standards and requirements for
22 recertification developed pursuant to section 13 by the council
23 and approved by the state civil service commission and the com-
24 mission of corrections.

25 (3) A state employee of a state facility converted to a
26 state correctional facility between January 1, 1985 and December
27 31, 1986 shall automatically be certified and annually

1 recertified by the commission of corrections for 3 years
2 following the conversion date of that facility provided he or she
3 has done all of the following:

4 (a) Within 1 year of the conversion date, obtained a high
5 school diploma or attained a passing score on the general educa-
6 tion development test indicating a high school graduation level.

7 (b) Within 1 year of the conversion date, completed success-
8 fully 320 hours of new employee training with a credit up to 160
9 hours of previously acquired training, as approved by the
10 council.

11 (c) Within 3 years of the conversion date, completed ~~a~~ 1
12 OF THE FOLLOWING:

13 (i) A vocational ~~certification~~ CERTIFICATE program, AS
14 DETERMINED BY THE COUNCIL, earned from an accredited postsecond-
15 ary educational institution, which program shall require a mini-
16 mum of 15 SEMESTER credit hours ~~, or an equivalent, of courses~~
17 ~~as determined by the council~~ OR 23 TERM CREDIT HOURS.

18 (ii) EQUIVALENT COURSE WORK TO A VOCATIONAL CERTIFICATE PRO-
19 GRAM, AS DETERMINED BY THE COUNCIL, EARNED FROM AN ACCREDITED
20 POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION WHICH COURSE WORK SHALL
21 REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF 15 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS OR 23 TERM CREDIT
22 HOURS. THE CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH MAY BE
23 EARNED BEFORE OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT
24 THAT ADDED THIS SUBPARAGRAPH.

25 (iii) A DEGREE GRANTED BY AN ACCREDITED POSTSECONDARY EDUCA-
26 TIONAL INSTITUTION IN A MAJOR DISCIPLINE OF STUDY THAT IS
27 RELEVANT TO THE POSITION OF STATE CORRECTIONAL OFFICER, AS

1 DETERMINED BY THE COUNCIL IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CIVIL SERVICE
2 COMMISSION. A DEGREE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH MAY BE
3 EARNED BEFORE OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT
4 THAT ADDED THIS SUBPARAGRAPH.

5 (d) Fulfilled other minimum standards and requirements
6 developed pursuant to section 13 by the council and approved by
7 the state civil service commission and the commission of correc-
8 tions for certification and subsequently for recertification.

9 Section 2. This amendatory act shall take effect 60 days
10 after being enacted into law.