NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR TRAINING TITLE 15, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 1, SUBCHAPTER 1

Pursuant to the authority granted by Penal Code Sections 6035 and 6036, the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) hereby gives notice of the proposed regulatory action(s) described in this public notice. It is the intent of the BSCC to amend regulations contained in Title 15, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1, Article 3, California Code of Regulations, which is commonly known as the Minimum Standards for Training, after considering all comments, objections, and recommendations regarding these regulations.

WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

Any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, may submit written comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action. A written comment period has been established commencing on December 27, 2019 and closing on February 10, 2020. Only comments received at BSCC offices by that date will be considered. Submit comments to:

Ginger Wolfe, Standards and Compliance Officer 2590 Venture Oaks Way, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95833 (916) 445-5073 ginger.wolfe@bscc.ca.gov

PUBLIC HEARING

BSCC has not yet scheduled a public hearing on this proposed action. However, the BSCC will hold a hearing if it receives a written request for a public hearing from any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, no later than 15-days before the close of the written comment period.

AVAILABILITY OF CHANGED OR MODIFIED TEXT

Following the public comment period, the BSCC may adopt the proposed regulations substantially as proposed in this notice. If the BSCC makes modifications which are sufficiently related to the original proposed text, it will make the modified text (with the changes clearly indicated) available to the public for at least 15 days prior to the date that the BSCC adopts the regulation as revised. The BSCC will accept written comments on the modified regulation text during the 15-day period. Comments should be addressed to the primary contact person as provide above.

NOTE: To be notified of any modifications, you must submit written/oral comments at the public hearing, if a hearing is held; submit comments to the BSCC during the written public comment period; or specifically request to be notified of any modifications.

AUTHORITY AND REFERENCE

Penal Code Sections 6035 and 6036 authorize the BSCC to establish and revise the proposed regulations, which would implement, interpret, or make specific Sections 6035 and 6036 of the Penal Code.

INFORMATIVE DIGEST/POLICY STATEMENT OVERVIEW

Summary of Existing Laws

Penal Code Sections 6035 and 6036 authorize the BSCC to adopt regulations necessary to establish minimum standards for the selection and training of local corrections and probations officers.

Summary of Existing Regulations

The BSCC promulgates the existing standards which prescribe minimum standards for the selection and training of local corrections and probation officers. These existing standards are codified in Title 15 Crime Prevention and Corrections, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR).

Determination of Inconsistency/Incompatibility with Existing State Regulations The BSCC has determined that this proposed regulation is not inconsistent or incompatible with existing regulations. After conducting a review for any regulations that would relate to or affect this area, the BSCC has concluded that these are the only regulations that concern minimum training standards for local corrections and probation officers.

Summary of Effect

The proposed action will update Title 15, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1, Article 3, CCR by amending hours of instruction required for newly hired local corrections and probation officers and by adopting newly designed transfer academies for officers transferring between classifications.

Comparable Federal Statute or Regulations

There are no comparable federal regulations or statutes.

Policy Statement Overview

The broad objective of the proposed action is to maintain regulations for local corrections and probation officers by updating required hours of instruction and to create career opportunities by establishing transfer academies between classifications.

Benefits of the Regulations to the Health and Welfare of California Residents, Worker Safety, and the State's Environment

The BSCC has determined that there may be a positive impact on the health and welfare of California residents and working safety. The regulations have been updated to improve and enhance training, ensuring that officers are receiving a minimum number of hours for each classification and in transfer academies.

The BSCC has determined that the state's environment will not be affected by the adoption of these regulations because the regulation only pertains to the minimum standards for training and not to any environmental-related requirements or issues.

DISCLOSURE REGARDING THE PROPOSED ACTION

The BSCC has made the following initial determinations:

Mandate on local agencies and school districts: None

Cost or savings to any state agency: None

Cost to any local agency or school district which must be reimbursed in accordance with Government Code Sections 17500 through 17630: None

Other nondiscretionary costs or savings imposed on local agencies: None

Costs or savings in federal funding to the state: None

Significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting business including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states: None

Cost impacts on a representative private person or businesses: The BSCC is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action.

RESULTS OF THE ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

Adoption of these regulations will not:

- (1) Create jobs or eliminate jobs within California.
- (2) Create new businesses or eliminate existing businesses within California.
- (3) Affect the expansion of businesses currently doing business within California.

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Significant effect on housing costs: None

Business Report Determination: The BSCC finds that this regulation does not impose reporting requirements on businesses.

Small Business Determination: The BSCC has concluded that the implementation of this action will not affect small business as the proposed regulations are only applicable to local city, county, or city and county agencies.

CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES

In accordance with Government Code Section 11346.5, subdivision (a)(13), the BSCC must determine that no reasonable alternative it considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to its attention would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed, would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

The BSCC invites interested parties to present statements or arguments with respect to alternatives to the proposed regulations at a scheduled hearing or during the written comment period.

AVAILABLILITY OF RULEMAKING DOCUMENTS

The Rulemaking File, which includes all the information on which this proposal is based, is available for viewing at the BSCC's office at the above address and may also be accessed through the BSCC's website at http://www.bscc.ca.gov.

AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED TEXT

If the BSCC makes modifications that are sufficiently related to the originally proposed text, it will clearly indicate the changes and make the modified text available to the public for at least 15 days before the BSCC adopts the regulations as revised. The modified text may be accessed through the BSCC website at: http://www.bscc.ca.gov. Those persons who do not have access to the Internet may submit a written request to the contact persons listed below.

AVAILABILITY OF INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS AND FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

The Initial and Final Statement of Reasons may be accessed through the BSCC website at: http://www.bscc.ca.gov. Those persons who do not have access to the Internet may submit a written request to the contact persons listed below.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS; INTERNET ACCESS

Copies of the Notice of Proposed Action, the Initial Statement of Reasons, and the text of the regulation in strikeout and underline can be accessed through our website at: http://www.bscc.ca.gov. Those persons who do not have access to the Internet may submit a written request to the contact persons listed below.

CONTACT PERSON FOR SUBSTANTIVE AND/OR TECHNICAL QUESTIONS

Inquiries concerning the proposed action may be directed to the primary contact person:

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The auxiliary contact person is:

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