

**PRELIMINARY** STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Judiciary

**REVENUE: May have revenue impact, statement not yet issued**

**FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued**

**SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:**

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**Action:**

**Vote:**

**Yeas:**

**Nays:**

**Exc.:**

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/3

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Prohibits person performing private security services from wearing uniform or badge, or utilizing vehicle that causes reasonable person to believe person provides fire-fighting, police, ambulance, or emergency medical services.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Proposed (-2) amendments makes it unlawful for an entity that employs private security officers to use a name that implies entity is, or is affiliated with, an existing law enforcement unit, public safety agency, organized militia, Armed Forces, of federal agency. Provides rulemaking authority to Board of Public Safety Standards and Training. Become operative July 1, 2016. Declares emergency; effective on passage.

**BACKGROUND:** The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training is responsible for certifying a wide range of law enforcement and security service professionals. Unarmed private security professionals must have at least a high school diploma or GED and pass a background check and complete a 14 hour live classroom training. Basic police training requires successful completion of a 640 hour (16 week) Basic Police Course.

House Bill 4142 prohibits a private security professional from wearing a uniform or badge, or driving a vehicle, that would lead a reasonable person to conclude that the private security professional was a law enforcement officer or other public or private safety agency.