

SECURITY PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies the Security Personnel Licensing Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms, including "security service provider," "agreement for services," and "financial responsibility";
- ▶ modifies the requirements for being the qualifying agent of a licensed contract security company or licensed armored car company;
- ▶ modifies the education and training requirements of licensed security officers; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

58-63-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 41

58-63-302, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 238

58-63-304, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2013, Chapter 436



28 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

29 Section 1. Section **58-63-102** is amended to read:

30 **58-63-102. Definitions.**

31 In addition to the definitions in Section **58-1-102**, as used in this chapter:

32 (1) "Agreement for services" means a written and signed agreement between a security
33 service provider and a client that:

- 34 (a) contains clear language that addresses and assigns financial responsibility;
- 35 (b) describes the length, duties, and scope of the security services that will be provided;
- 36 (c) describes the compensation that will be paid by the client for the security services,
37 including the compensation for each security officer; and

38 (d) describes what government-owned vehicles or other equipment may be used, if any,
39 by the security service provider while providing security services, including the compensation
40 that will be provided by the client for the use of such vehicles or other equipment.

41 [~~1~~] (2) "Armed courier service" means a person engaged in business as a contract
42 security company who transports or offers to transport tangible personal property from one
43 place or point to another under the control of an armed security officer employed by that
44 service.

45 [~~2~~] (3) "Armed private security officer" means an individual:

- 46 (a) employed by a contract security company;
- 47 (b) whose primary duty is:
 - 48 (i) guarding personal or real property; or
 - 49 (ii) providing protection or security to the life and well being of humans or animals;

50 and

51 (c) who wears, carries, possesses, or has immediate access to a firearm in the
52 performance of the individual's duties.

53 [~~3~~] (4) "Armored car company" means a person engaged in business under contract to
54 others who transports or offers to transport tangible personal property, currency, valuables,
55 jewelry, SNAP benefits as defined in Section **35A-1-102**, or any other high value items, that
56 require secured delivery from one place to another under the control of an armored car security
57 officer employed by the company using a specially equipped motor vehicle offering a high
58 degree of security.

59 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) "Armored car security officer" means an individual:

60 (a) employed by an armored car company;

61 (b) whose primary duty is to guard the tangible property, currency, valuables, jewelry,
62 SNAP benefits as defined in Section 35A-1-102, or other high value items that require secured
63 delivery from one place to another; and

64 (c) who wears, carries, possesses, or has immediate access to a firearm in the
65 performance of the individual's duties.

66 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) "Board" means the Security Services Licensing Board created in Section
67 58-63-201.

68 (7) "Client" means a person, company, or entity that contracts for and receives security
69 services from a contract security company or an armored car company.

70 ~~[(6)]~~ (8) "Contract security company" means a ~~[person engaged in business to provide~~
71 ~~security or guard services to another person on a contractual basis by assignment of an armed~~
72 ~~or unarmed private security officer]~~ company that is registered with the Division of
73 Corporations and Commercial Code and is engaged in business to provide security services to
74 another person, business, or entity on a contractual basis by assignment of an armed or
75 unarmed private security officer.

76 (9) "Corporate officer" means an individual who is on file with the Division of
77 Corporations and Commercial Code as:

78 (a) a corporate officer of a contract security company or an armored car company that
79 is a corporation; or

80 (b) a chief executive or company officer of a contract security company or an armored
81 car company that is not a corporation.

82 (10) "Financial responsibility," when referring to a contract security company, means
83 that a contract security company may only provide security services to a client if the contract
84 security company:

85 (a) enters into an agreement for services with the client;

86 (b) maintains a current general liability insurance policy with:

87 (i) at least an annual \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit;

88 (ii) at least an annual \$2,000,000 aggregate limit; and

89 (iii) the following riders:

- 90 (A) general liability;
- 91 (B) assault and battery;
- 92 (C) personal injury;
- 93 (D) false arrest;
- 94 (E) libel and slander;
- 95 (F) invasion of privacy;
- 96 (G) broad form property damage;
- 97 (H) damage to property in the care, custody, or control of the security service provider;

98 and

- 99 (I) errors and omissions;
- 100 (c) maintains a workers' compensation insurance policy with at least a \$1,000,000 per
- 101 occurrence limit and that covers each security officer employed by the contract security
- 102 company; and
- 103 (d) maintains a federal employer identification number and an unemployment
- 104 insurance employer account as required under state and federal law.

105 ~~[(7)]~~ (11) "Identification card" means a personal pocket or wallet size card issued by
106 the division to each armored car and armed or unarmed private security officer licensed under
107 this chapter.

108 (12) (a) "Law enforcement agency" means the same as that term is defined in Section
109 [53-1-102](#).

110 (b) "Law enforcement agency" does not include an individual law enforcement officer.

111 ~~[(8) "Officer" means a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, or other officer of~~
112 ~~a corporation or limited liability company listed as an officer in the files with the Division of~~
113 ~~Corporations and Commercial Code.]~~

114 ~~[(9) "Owner" means a proprietor or general partner of a proprietorship or partnership, a~~
115 ~~lessee or assignee of the owner, the manager of the facility, or the event operator.]~~

116 (13) "Owner" means an individual who is listed with the Division of Corporations and
117 Commercial Code as a majority stockholder of a company, a general partner of a partnership,
118 or the proprietor of a sole proprietorship.

119 ~~[(10)]~~ (14) "Peace officer" means a person who:

- 120 (a) is a certified peace officer as defined in Title 53, Chapter 13, Peace Officer

121 Classifications; and

122 (b) derives total or special law enforcement powers from, and is an employee of, the
123 federal government, the state, or a political subdivision, agency, department, branch, or service
124 of either, of a municipality, or a unit of local government.

125 ~~[(H)]~~ (15) "Regular basis" means at least 20 hours per month.

126 ~~[(12)]~~ (16) (a) "Security officer" means an individual who is licensed as an armed or
127 unarmed private security officer under this chapter and who:

128 (i) is employed by a contract security company securing, guarding, or otherwise
129 protecting tangible personal property, real property, or the life and well being of human or
130 animal life against:

131 (A) trespass or other unlawful intrusion or entry;

132 (B) larceny;

133 (C) vandalism or other abuse;

134 (D) arson or other criminal activity; or

135 (E) personal injury caused by another person or as a result of an act or omission by
136 another person;

137 (ii) is controlling, regulating, or directing the flow of movements of an individual or
138 vehicle; or

139 (iii) providing street patrol service.

140 ~~[(b) "Security officer" does not include an individual whose duties are limited to
141 custodial or other services even though the presence of that individual may act to provide a
142 service set forth under Subsection (12)(a).]~~

143 ~~[(c)(i)]~~ (b) "Security officer" does not include an individual whose duties include
144 taking admission tickets, checking credentials, ushering, or checking bags, purses, backpacks,
145 or other materials ~~[going into a facility as described in Subsection (12)(c)(i)]~~ of individuals
146 who are entering a sports venue, concert venue, theatrical venue, convention center,
147 fairgrounds, public assembly facility, or mass gathering location if:

148 (A) the individual carries out these duties without the use of specialized equipment;

149 (B) the authority of the individual is limited to denying entry or passage of ~~[a person]~~
150 another individual into or within the facility; and

151 (C) the individual is not authorized to use physical force in the performance of the

152 individual's duties under this Subsection [~~(12)(c)~~] (16)(b).

153 [~~(ii) As used in this Subsection (12)(c), "facility" means a sports, concert, or theatrical~~
154 ~~venue, or a convention center, fairgrounds, public assembly facility, or mass gathering~~
155 ~~location.~~]

156 (17) "Security service provider" means a contract security company licensed under this
157 chapter, an armored car company licensed under this chapter, or a law enforcement agency.

158 [~~(13)~~] (18) "Security system" means equipment, a device, or an instrument installed
159 for:

160 (a) detecting and signaling entry or intrusion by an individual into or onto, or exit from
161 the premises protected by the system; or

162 (b) signaling the commission of criminal activity at the election of an individual having
163 control of the features of the security system.

164 [~~(14)~~] (19) "Specialized resource, motor vehicle, or equipment" means an item of
165 tangible personal property specifically designed for use in law enforcement or in providing
166 security or guard services, or that is specially equipped with a device or feature designed for
167 use in providing law enforcement, security, or guard services, but does not include:

168 (a) standardized clothing, whether or not bearing a company name or logo, if the
169 clothing does not bear the words "security" or "guard"; or

170 (b) an item of tangible personal property, other than a firearm or nonlethal weapon, that
171 may be used without modification in providing security or guard services.

172 [~~(15)~~] (20) "Street patrol service" means a contract security company that provides
173 patrols by means of foot, vehicle, or other method of transportation using public streets,
174 thoroughfares, or property in the performance of the company's duties and responsibilities.

175 [~~(16)~~] (21) "Unarmed private security officer" means an individual:

176 (a) employed by a contract security company;

177 (b) whose primary duty is guarding personal or real property or providing protection or
178 security to the life and well being of humans or animals;

179 (c) who does not wear, carry, possess, or have immediate access to a firearm in the
180 performance of the individual's duties; and

181 (d) who wears clothing of distinctive design or fashion bearing a symbol, badge,
182 emblem, insignia, or other device that identifies the individual as a security officer.

183 [(17)] (22) "Unlawful conduct" [~~is as~~] means the same as that term is defined in
184 Sections 58-1-501 and 58-63-501.

185 [(18)] (23) "Unprofessional conduct" [~~is as~~] means the same as that term is defined in
186 Sections 58-1-501 and 58-63-502 and as may be further defined by rule.

187 Section 2. Section 58-63-302 is amended to read:

188 **58-63-302. Qualifications for licensure.**

189 (1) Each applicant for licensure as an armored car company or a contract security
190 company shall:

191 (a) submit an application in a form prescribed by the division;

192 (b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63J-1-504;

193 (c) have a qualifying agent who:

194 (i) is a resident of the state and [~~an officer, director, partner, proprietor, or manager of~~
195 ~~the applicant~~] is a corporate officer or owner of the applicant;

196 (ii) exercises material day-to-day authority in the conduct of the applicant's business by
197 making substantive technical and administrative decisions and whose primary employment is
198 with the applicant;

199 (iii) is not concurrently acting as a qualifying agent or employee of another armored car
200 company or contract security company and is not engaged in any other employment on a
201 regular basis;

202 (iv) is not involved in any activity that would conflict with the qualifying agent's duties
203 and responsibilities under this chapter to ensure that the qualifying agent's and the applicant's
204 performance under this chapter does not jeopardize the health or safety of the general public;

205 (v) is not an employee of a government agency;

206 [(19)] (vi) passes an examination component established by rule by the division in
207 collaboration with the board; and

208 [(20)] (vii) (A) demonstrates 6,000 hours of compensated experience as a manager,
209 supervisor, or administrator of an armored car company or a contract security company; or

210 (B) demonstrates 6,000 hours of supervisory experience acceptable to the division in
211 collaboration with the board with a federal, United States military, state, county, or municipal
212 law enforcement agency;

213 (d) if a corporation, provide:

214 (i) the names, addresses, dates of birth, and social security numbers of all corporate
215 officers, directors, and those responsible management personnel employed within the state or
216 having direct responsibility for managing operations of the applicant within the state; and

217 (ii) the names, addresses, dates of birth, and social security numbers, of all
218 shareholders owning 5% or more of the outstanding shares of the corporation, unless waived by
219 the division if the stock is publicly listed and traded;

220 (e) if a limited liability company, provide:

221 (i) the names, addresses, dates of birth, and social security numbers of all company
222 officers, and those responsible management personnel employed within the state or having
223 direct responsibility for managing operations of the applicant within the state; and

224 (ii) the names, addresses, dates of birth, and social security numbers of all individuals
225 owning 5% or more of the equity of the company;

226 (f) if a partnership, provide the names, addresses, dates of birth, and social security
227 numbers of all general partners, and those responsible management personnel employed within
228 the state or having direct responsibility for managing operations of the applicant within the
229 state;

230 (g) if a proprietorship, provide the names, addresses, dates of birth, and social security
231 numbers of the proprietor, and those responsible management personnel employed within the
232 state or having direct responsibility for managing operations of the applicant within the state;

233 (h) have good moral character in that officers, directors, shareholders described in
234 Subsection (1)(d)(ii), partners, proprietors, and responsible management personnel have not
235 been convicted of:

236 (i) a felony;

237 (ii) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or

238 (iii) a crime that when considered with the duties and responsibilities of a contract
239 security company or an armored car company by the division and the board indicates that the
240 best interests of the public are not served by granting the applicant a license;

241 (i) document that none of the applicant's officers, directors, shareholders described in
242 Subsection (1)(d)(ii), partners, proprietors, and responsible management personnel:

243 (i) have been declared by a court of competent jurisdiction incompetent by reason of
244 mental defect or disease and not been restored; and

- 245 (ii) currently suffer from habitual drunkenness or from drug addiction or dependence;
246 (j) file and maintain with the division evidence of:
247 (i) comprehensive general liability insurance in a form and in amounts established by
248 rule by the division in collaboration with the board;
249 (ii) workers' compensation insurance that covers employees of the applicant in
250 accordance with applicable Utah law;
251 (iii) registration with the Division of Corporations and Commercial Code; and
252 (iv) registration as required by applicable law with the:
253 (A) Unemployment Insurance Division in the Department of Workforce Services, for
254 purposes of Title 35A, Chapter 4, Employment Security Act;
255 (B) State Tax Commission; and
256 (C) Internal Revenue Service; and
257 (k) meet with the division and board if requested by the division or board.
258 (2) Each applicant for licensure as an armed private security officer shall:
259 (a) submit an application in a form prescribed by the division;
260 (b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section [63J-1-504](#);
261 (c) have good moral character in that the applicant has not been convicted of:
262 (i) a felony;
263 (ii) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or
264 (iii) a crime that when considered with the duties and responsibilities of an armed
265 private security officer by the division and the board indicates that the best interests of the
266 public are not served by granting the applicant a license;
267 (d) not be prohibited from possession of a firearm or ammunition under 18 U.S.C. Sec.
268 922(g);
269 (e) not have been declared incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction by reason
270 of mental defect or disease and not been restored;
271 (f) not be currently suffering from habitual drunkenness or from drug addiction or
272 dependence;
273 (g) successfully complete basic education and training requirements established by rule
274 by the division in collaboration with the board[;], which shall include 24 hours of classroom or
275 online curriculum of which:

276 (i) eight hours shall be completed before an applicant may engage in work providing
277 security services; and

278 (ii) the remaining 16 hours shall be completed within 45 days of completing the initial
279 eight hours;

280 (h) successfully complete firearms training requirements established by rule by the
281 division in collaboration with the board;

282 (i) pass the examination requirement established by rule by the division in
283 collaboration with the board; and

284 (j) meet with the division and board if requested by the division or the board.

285 (3) Each applicant for licensure as an unarmed private security officer shall:

286 (a) submit an application in a form prescribed by the division;

287 (b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63J-1-504;

288 (c) have good moral character in that the applicant has not been convicted of:

289 (i) a felony;

290 (ii) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or

291 (iii) a crime that when considered with the duties and responsibilities of an unarmed
292 private security officer by the division and the board indicates that the best interests of the
293 public are not served by granting the applicant a license;

294 (d) not have been declared incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction by reason
295 of mental defect or disease and not been restored;

296 (e) not be currently suffering from habitual drunkenness or from drug addiction or
297 dependence;

298 (f) successfully complete basic education and training requirements established by rule
299 by the division in collaboration with the board[;], which shall include 24 hours of classroom or
300 online curriculum of which:

301 (i) eight hours shall be completed before an applicant may engage in work providing
302 security services; and

303 (ii) the remaining 16 hours shall be completed within 45 days of completing the initial
304 eight hours;

305 (g) pass the examination requirement established by rule by the division in
306 collaboration with the board; and

- 307 (h) meet with the division and board if requested by the division or board.
- 308 (4) Each applicant for licensure as an armored car security officer shall:
- 309 (a) submit an application in a form prescribed by the division;
- 310 (b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section [63J-1-504](#);
- 311 (c) have good moral character in that the applicant has not been convicted of:
- 312 (i) a felony;
- 313 (ii) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or
- 314 (iii) a crime that when considered with the duties and responsibilities of an armored car
- 315 security officer by the division and the board indicates that the best interests of the public are
- 316 not served by granting the applicant a license;
- 317 (d) not be prohibited from possession of a firearm or ammunition under 18 U.S.C. Sec.
- 318 922(g);
- 319 (e) not have been declared incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction by reason
- 320 of mental defect or disease and not been restored;
- 321 (f) not be currently suffering from habitual drunkenness or from drug addiction or
- 322 dependence;
- 323 (g) successfully complete basic education and training requirements established by rule
- 324 by the division in collaboration with the board;
- 325 (h) successfully complete firearms training requirements established by rule by the
- 326 division in collaboration with the board;
- 327 (i) pass the examination requirements established by rule by the division in
- 328 collaboration with the board; and
- 329 (j) meet with the division and board if requested by the division or the board.
- 330 (5) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
- 331 division may make a rule establishing when the division shall request a Federal Bureau of
- 332 Investigation records' review for an applicant.
- 333 (6) To determine if an applicant meets the qualifications of Subsections (1)(h), (2)(c),
- 334 (3)(c), and (4)(c), the division shall provide an appropriate number of copies of fingerprint
- 335 cards to the Department of Public Safety with the division's request to:
- 336 (a) conduct a search of records of the Department of Public Safety for criminal history
- 337 information relating to each applicant for licensure under this chapter and each applicant's

338 officers, directors, shareholders described in Subsection (1)(d)(ii), partners, proprietors, and
339 responsible management personnel; and

340 (b) forward to the Federal Bureau of Investigation a fingerprint card of each applicant
341 requiring a check of records of the FBI for criminal history information under this section.

342 (7) The Department of Public Safety shall send the division:

343 (a) a written record of criminal history, or certification of no criminal history record, as
344 contained in the records of the Department of Public Safety in a timely manner after receipt of
345 a fingerprint card from the division and a request for review of Department of Public Safety
346 records; and

347 (b) the results of the FBI review concerning an applicant in a timely manner after
348 receipt of information from the FBI.

349 (8) (a) The division shall charge each applicant a fee, in accordance with Section
350 63J-1-504, equal to the cost of performing the records reviews under this section.

351 (b) The division shall pay the Department of Public Safety the costs of all records
352 reviews, and the Department of Public Safety shall pay the FBI the costs of records reviews
353 under this chapter.

354 (9) The division shall use or disseminate the information it obtains from the reviews of
355 criminal history records of the Department of Public Safety and the FBI only to determine if an
356 applicant for licensure under this chapter is qualified for licensure.

357 Section 3. Section 58-63-304 is amended to read:

358 **58-63-304. Exemptions from licensure.**

359 (1) In addition to the exemptions from licensure in Section 58-1-307, an individual
360 may engage in acts regulated under this chapter without being licensed under this chapter if the
361 individual is:

362 (a) a peace officer employed by~~[-, or licensed as,]~~ a contract security company~~[-]~~ as
363 provided in Subsection (2); or

364 (b) employed by a contract security company for the sole purpose of operating or
365 staffing security apparatus, including a magnetometer, magnetometer wand, x-ray viewing
366 device, or other device approved by rule of the division.

367 (2) A peace officer may only engage in off-duty employment as a security officer if:

368 (a) the law enforcement agency employing the peace officer has a written policy

369 regarding peace officer employees working while off duty as a security officer and the written
370 policy addresses the issue of financial responsibility;

371 (b) the agency's chief administrative officer, or that officer's designee, provides written
372 authorization for an off-duty peace officer to work as a security officer; and

373 (c) the business or entity employing the off-duty peace officer to work as a security
374 officer complies with state and federal income reporting and withholding requirements
375 regarding the off-duty officer's wages.

376 (3) In addition to the exemptions from licensure in Section 58-1-307, an individual
377 holding a valid license as an armed private security officer under this chapter may also function
378 as an unarmed private security officer without the additional license.

379 (4) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
380 division may make rules approving security apparatus under Subsection (1)(b).

Legislative Review Note
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