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Explanation of Changes: HB 313 version B

HB 313 version B includes four amendments that were included to HB 313 version A in the House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs on 3/10/2022. The amendments that were adopted by the committee include amendments 1, 2, 3, and 5.

Amendment 1 was introduced at the request of the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and clarifies that DPS has the responsibility to support the Village Public Safety Officer program

- **On page 4, line 1, “support” was added following “supervise”**

Amendment 2 was introduced at the request of DPS and is a narrow fix that allows a community that would like a VPSO and meets eligibility criteria but is not represented by a non-profit regional corporation. This fix allows the Department to resolve that issue.

The second part of the amendment rewords statute to make more intuitive.

- **On page 4, line 6, following “organization,” add “for the village does not exist or”**
- **On page 4, line 8-10:**
 - **Delete “Before awarding a grant to a municipality, the commissioner shall consult with the nonprofit regional corporation or Alaska Native organization that declined the grant.”**
 - **Insert “If a nonprofit regional corporation or Alaska Native organization declines a grant, the commissioner shall consult with the corporation or organization before awarding the grant to a municipality”**

Amendment 3 was introduced at the request of DPS and removes a specific threshold for hours that VPSO candidates must complete for basic training to allow the Department more flexibility to adjust training requirements as needs change over time.

- **Page 10, lines 1-12:**
 - **Delete all materials and insert:**
 - **Instruction in**
 - **The state’s criminal and procedural law;**
 - **The state’s criminal justice system;**
 - **Police procedures;**
 - **Disabilities training described inder AS 18.65.220(3);**
 - **Domestic violence and sexual assault prevention and response procedures**
 - **Emergency trauma technician training;**

- Search and rescue training;
- Rural fire protection specialist training.”
- On page 10, line 22, following “that”:
 - Insert “the”
- On page 10, line 26:
 - Delete “Equals or exceeds the hours and”

Amendment 5 was introduced at the request of DPS and provides flexibility within the statutory framework to allow the Department not to deny a certificate application certain circumstances, including expungement, pardon or set aside from the court system. Ensures that certification decisions made by the Department are based on a formal court ruling.

- Page 12, lines 12-13:
 - Delete “the individual or holder of the certificate”
 - Insert “the underlying conviction”
- Page 12, lines 14-25 delete all material and insert:
 - Has been expunged or set aside;
 - Is for an offense for which the officer has been pardoned; or
 - Is for an offense for which the officer has had civil rights restored that were lost upon the conviction

