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## M E M O R A N D U M

March 25, 1983

TO: Members of the House Judiciary Committee

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SUBJECT: CSSB 116(SA) - Placing Emergency Guards Employed by the  
Department of Public Safety in the Partially Exempt Service

In 1979, the Blue Ribbon Commission sponsored legislation to place greater restraints on the employment of both nonpermanent and emergency classified state workers. These restrictions have created some difficulties for the Department of Public Safety because of the large number of emergency guards they hire. In 1982 the department hired 495 emergency guards. There were only 112 other emergency appointments in the state.

An emergency employee is defined as "an employee appointed for a period not to exceed 30 calendar days, whose appointment was made under conditions requiring immediate action to carry on work that is required in the public interest". AS 39.25.200(3). Departments are required to report the reason for hiring an emergency employee within 15 working days of the appointment. Personnel practices require that departments prepare Personnel Action forms at the beginning and ending of an emergency appointment. In addition, employment forms from the Division of Payroll and the Division of Retirement and Benefits must be prepared for each appointment.

For some communities with frequent need for emergency guards, the department employs the same individuals each time the need arises. There were 136 individuals who filled the 495 emergency guard appointments during 1982. These employees guard prisoners or seized property in rural areas where a one- or two-person post prevents a trooper from maintaining 24-hour per day watch. The period required for the emergency service is between arrest and either arraignment or transportation to a correctional facility or until other arrangements are made to maintain custody of the seized property. According to the Department of Public Safety, typical appointments last from two to four days.

Placing emergency guards in the partially exempt service will substantially reduce the paperwork burden placed on the Departments of Public Safety and Administration. Those employees who are repeatedly hired when an emergency occurs can remain on the payroll indefinitely, preparing time sheets for each period they actually work. Making the positions part of the partially exempt service means that the positions remain part of the state's classification plan and are paid according to the state's pay plan. This will insure pay equity for those employees.

The Blue Ribbon Commission recommends placing these positions in the partially exempt service. It will reduce the paperwork burden on the department with little effect on the employee. (The protections for emergency appointments in the classified service are not much greater, if at all, than for partially exempt employees.) The continuing need for these appointments has been adequately documented.

#### Bill Analysis

Line 10 Section 1 amends the section of the State Personnel Act which lists positions placed in the partially exempt service to include emergency guards.

Line 14 Section 2 amends the chapter which creates the Department of Public Safety by requiring the department to report to the Director of Personnel on the number and description of appointments of emergency guards. Departments are currently required to report the number of classified service emergency appointments they make. This will retain that requirement for emergency guards after they are moved to the partially exempt service.

TBC:lmk

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 AN ACT PLACING EMERGENCY GUARDS EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT  
 OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE EXEMPT SERVICE

PRIME SPONSOR: SENATE RULES COMMITTEE.  
 CO-SPONSORS:  
 CURRENT STATUS: 3/23/83 IN (H) JUDICIARY

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 AMENDED TITLE: CSSB 24(JUD)AM  
 AN ACT RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR ASSAULTING A PEACE OFFICER,  
 FIRE FIGHTER, OR OTHER EMERGENCY RESPONDER

PRIME SPONSOR: RODEY.  
 CO-SPONSORS: RAY, MOSS, PETTYJOHN, FERGUSON, JOSEPHSON, FISCHER, V. ,  
 FISCHER, P. , STURGULEWSKI.  
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