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POST Update

NOTICE:

The POST council staff will present to Council, at the June 24, 2021 meeting, a request to eliminate the current 4-year recertification requirement as it is written. We have already been approved by the Council to remove the **fees** associated with the recertification process as of March 24, 2021. This process will require a rule change and therefore require 2 council meetings to process.

Our plan is to require all agencies to conduct criminal histories periodically on all POST certified employees, as well as each new hire for a job requiring a POST certification, and to report to POST any unreported arrests. The frequency of these criminal history checks will be left up to the Council, and when they decide on the frequency, that information will be adopted into the POST Rules.

We will recommend to the Council an implementation date of January 1, 2022.

At this same Council meeting, we will ask that all COVID-19 related restrictions/leniencies be lifted as per the Governor's recent executive orders. This means that the Jailer and Communications Officer candidates will again be required to attend basic training within 6 months of being hired.

The implementation date will be set by the Council at this meeting and POST will send out the information afterwards. We recommend that you begin signing your candidates up for training as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Ayers".

Mike Ayers
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GA POST Council