

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 15.2-1706 of the Code of Virginia, relating to law-enforcement officer*
3 *certification.*

4 [S 1107]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 15.2-1706 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 15.2-1706. Certification through training required for all law-enforcement officers.

9 All law-enforcement officers as defined in § 9-169 and all jail officers as defined in § 53.1-1 must be
10 certified through the successful completion of training at an approved criminal justice training academy
11 in order to remain eligible for appointment or employment. *In order to obtain such certification, all*
12 *entry level law-enforcement officers seeking certification on or after July 1, 2001, shall successfully*
13 *complete statewide certification examinations developed and administered by the Department of Criminal*
14 *Justice Services. The Department may delegate administration of the examinations to an approved*
15 *criminal justice training academy and may revoke such delegation at its discretion.* The appointee's or
16 employee's hiring agency must provide the Department of Criminal Justice Services with verification
17 that law-enforcement or jail officers first hired after July 1, 1994, have met the minimum standards set
18 forth in § 15.2-1705.

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