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Abstract: Provides for the revocation of P.O.S.T. certification for peace officers upon certain conditions, and provides for revocation hearings and appeals.

<u>Present law</u> establishes the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training and authorizes the council to develop curriculum requirements for the training of peace officers and accredit law enforcement training centers. <u>Present law</u> further provides for the training requirements for peace officers.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the removal of P.O.S.T. certification of any full-time, part-time, or reserve peace officer upon a conviction of malfeasance in office.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the conviction of any offense that results in the restriction of a peace officer's right to bear arms for the revocation of P.O.S.T. certification.

<u>Proposed law</u> allows the council to conduct a revocation hearing to revoke P.O.S.T. certification when a peace officer:

- (1) Is discharged by a law enforcement agency for disciplinary reasons.
- (2) Is convicted of a misdemeanor involving domestic violence or a felony in any court in any state, territory, or country.
- (3) Fails to complete additional training requirements as required and prescribed by the council.
- (4) Voluntarily surrenders his P.O.S.T. certification or a judicial disposition in a criminal case that results in revocation.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the council to promulgate rules governing revocation hearings in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.

(Amends R.S. 40:2405(J))