

Existing law provides for the creation of a Bail Bond Apprentice Program, whereby apprentices complete the registered insurance producer and bail producer prelicensing program under the instruction of a supervising bail producer.

New law requires the apprentice to register his name, home address, and telephone number, as well as his date of birth and social security number, with the commissioner of insurance. Further requires the apprentice to disclose the date he will be entering the program and to give contact information for his supervising licensed bail bond producer. Otherwise retains existing law.

Prior law provided that the program consists of six consecutive months of the apprentice's employment with a licensed bail bond producer.

New law changes the duration of the program from six months to three.

Existing law requires the supervising bail bond producer to maintain an apprentice's work records, including time sheets and pay stubs. Such records are to be available for examination and review by the Dept. of Insurance.

New law retains existing law but further requires that the work records include specifically the number of hours worked, the specific functions performed, and the date and time of the performance of those functions.

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