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## 2017 Legislation

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Dear PACSCO Members,

The association has been diligently working on several legislative bills that are designed to be beneficial to our industry. Attached is a draft of one of those pieces of legislation. The goals for this bill are the following:

To bridge a gap (real or perceived) between Contract Security and Law Enforcement. This is accomplished by first more clearly establishing the differences between the two industries and also identify the points in common. It is NOT our desire to ban law enforcement from our industry like some states have done and are currently in the process of doing. Rather, we would like to see if there is a common ground by which both industries can work cooperatively together and help one another more efficiently.

After reading the attached bill, you will find that it accomplishes some positive things for both industries.

- 1) It clearly defines that when hiring a peace officer, that IS exactly what someone is hiring, a peace officer that may upon certain conditions function in a security capacity.
- 2) It will require the employer hiring said peace officer to directly do so through the department (rather than the individual officer) for which they work. The rate in which the peace officer is hired SHOULD compensate the peace officer at an appropriate rate of pay, cover his OT if any, GL Insurance premium, Workers Comp Insurance costs and to cause all secondary security employment to have an actual contract for services on file demonstrating financial responsibility etc. This should provide complete transparency to the public so that the department can show that the officer will be covered under appropriate insurance coverages and that appropriate taxes are deducted. Estimated bill rates should increase accordingly to cover said costs.
- 3) This also keeps the taxpayers from having to foot the bill (for which we are all currently doing) for publicly funded assets such as police vehicles, fuel usage, dispatch services, insurance, legal fees, litigation and a long litany of other taxpayer funded resources they currently utilize to perform their security services.

At the end of the day, if someone wants to hire a peace officer they can now do it legally and transparently through the applicable department at the appropriate increased rate to ensure taxpayers are no longer burdened with unnecessary costs. It also protects the peace officer through appropriate insurance coverages should any harm come to him while working secondary employment.

We feel more could be added to this bill but we also feel it is a good start of fresh and new relationship between our two industries.

We would like your input, thoughts and suggestions. As you may choose to offer an opinion, remember that this is a bill of compromise wherein both sides are giving to help build this bridge.

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All comments regarding this legislation should be in writing and sent to Mr. Robert Anderton RAnderton@aol.com and CC Mr. John Tinsley Admin@SecurityUtah.com. We appreciate all that you do to keep our industry and the public safe.

Thanks,

**John Tinsley & Rob Anderton**