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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law, an agency of the state or political subdivision of the state must reimburse the agency of the state or political subdivision of the state that paid for the training of a law enforcement officer, certified corrections officer, fire protection personnel, or firefighter if they hire the employee within 24 months of the completion of the employee's training.

This bill would increase the period during which an agency of the state or a political subdivision of the state must reimburse the agency of the state or political subdivision of the state that paid for the training of a law enforcement officer, certified corrections officer, fire protection personnel, or firefighter.

This bill would also add custom fitted uniform items to the required reimbursements.

This bill would also make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code to current style.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED



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AN ACT

Relating to public officers and employees; to amend Section 36-21-7, Code of Alabama 1975, to increase the time period during which the state or a political subdivision of the state must be reimbursed for the training of a new law enforcement officer, certified corrections officer, fire protection personnel, or firefighter; to include custom fitted uniform items in the required reimbursement; and to make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code language to current style.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 36-21-7, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§36-21-7

(a) When a law enforcement officer, certified corrections officer, fire protection personnel, or firefighter of ~~any municipality, county, sheriff's department, fire district, or the state~~ the state or any political subdivision of the state is employed by ~~the State of Alabama, any county, sheriff's department, fire district, or another municipality,~~ a different agency of the state or political subdivision of the state within ~~24~~ 36 months after completing the training requirements mandated by Article 3, ~~(commencing with Section 36-21-40) of this chapter,~~ or by Chapter 32, ~~(commencing with Section 36-32-1),~~ all of the following expenses shall be reimbursed to the agency of the state or political subdivision of the state which paid for



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57 the training:

58 (1) ~~the~~The total expense of the training, including,  
59 but not limited to, salary paid during training,  
60 transportation costs paid to the trainee for travel to and  
61 from the training facility, room, board, tuition, overtime  
62 paid to other employees who fill in for the trainee during his  
63 or her absence, and any other related training expenses, ~~shall~~  
64 ~~be reimbursed to the municipality, county, fire district, or~~  
65 ~~the state which paid for the training.~~

66 (2) The cost of any custom fitted uniform item  
67 purchased by the agency of the state or political subdivision  
68 of the state for use by the trainee, either during or after  
69 training.

70 (b) The ~~municipality, county, fire district, or the~~  
71 ~~state which~~ agency of the state or political subdivision of  
72 the state that paid for the training shall submit an itemized  
73 sworn statement to the new employer of the law enforcement  
74 officer, fire protection personnel, or firefighter, as the  
75 case may be, shall demand payment thereof, and may enforce  
76 collection of the obligation through civil remedies and  
77 procedures.

78 (c) The term "law enforcement officer" shall have the  
79 same meaning as in Section 36-21-40 and the term "fire  
80 protection personnel and firefighter" shall have the same  
81 meaning as in Section 36-32-1."

82 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first  
83 day of the third month following its passage and approval by  
84 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.