

House Bill 653

By: Representative Cummings of the 16th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 5 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Georgia
2 Public Safety Training Center Act," so as to authorize the use of the facilities of the Georgia
3 Public Safety Training Center by retired law enforcement officers for meeting the state's
4 standards for training and qualification to carry firearms; to provide for certification; to
5 require reimbursement of the center for costs; to provide an effective date; to repeal
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Chapter 5 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Georgia Public Safety
10 Training Center Act," is amended by inserting a new Code section to be designated Code
11 Section 35-5-8 to read as follows:

12 "35-5-8.

13 (a) Subject to such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the board, the facilities
14 of the center may be made available to retired law enforcement officers of the state for the
15 purposes of meeting the state's standards for training and qualification for active law
16 enforcement officers to carry firearms and thus meeting the criteria for qualified law
17 enforcement officers in accordance with 18 U.S.C.A. Section 926C. The center is
18 authorized to issue to any retired law enforcement officer who meets such standards a
19 certification that complies with 18 U.S.C.A. Section 926C.

20 (b) Any retired law enforcement officer who uses the facilities of the center in accordance
21 with subsection (a) of this Code section shall be required to reimburse the center for the
22 cost of such training, testing, and certification."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2005.

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SECTION 3.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.