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TRIBAL POLICE

House Bill 4516 Sponsor: Rep. Jim McBryde Committee: Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4516 AS INTRODUCED 3-18-93

The bill would amend the Michigan Law Enforcement Officers Training Council Act, which provides for minimum employment standards for police officers, to extend the act to tribal police officers acting as state or local law enforcement officers. The definition of "police officer" and "law enforcement officer" would include a law enforcement officer of a police force of a Michigan Indian tribe who was appointed to serve without compensation as a member of a police force or other organization of a county, city, township, or village, or of the state, and who was responsible for crime prevention and detection and enforcement of the general criminal laws of Michigan.

A tribal officer acting under a state or local appointment would have to comply with the minimum standards established by the Michigan Law Enforcement Officers Training Council (MLEOTC). The council would have to publish standards with due consideration to varying factors and special requirements of local police agencies relative to acceptance of basic police training and law enforcement experience received by a person if that person was a current or former tribal police officer and he or she had successfully completed either of the following:

- ** a basic police training course in another state or through a federally operated police training school that was sufficient to fulfill in part the minimum employment standards required by federal law to be appointed as a law enforcement officer of a police force of a Michigan Indian tribe; or,
- ** a basic police training course at a police training school certified under the act or a pre-service training program established under the act and passed an examination offered under the act.

A tribal police officer who successfully completed an advanced in-service training program would be eligible to have that in-service training certified under this act in the same manner as a law enforcement officer.

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