



**PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING
COMMISSION COMMITTEE MEETING
AUGUST 21, 2026
CONSENT AGENDA**

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I. WAIVER OF BASIC TRAINING/SPECIALIZED SUBSTITUTIONS FOR IN SERVICE TRAINING – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-09-.02

P.O.S.T. reviewed and administratively approved **11** P.O.S.T. Transition School waivers and all corresponding supporting documents. The reported documents meet or exceed the minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officer Standards and Training requirements.

The following requests for Waiver/Substitution of Basic Training have been reviewed and meet P.O.S.T. requirements:

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

Alcoa Police Department:	Tony Felix Lopez, Jr. (PSID L-43287)
Bartlett Police Department:	Tamar Michelle Percevecz (PSID L-43279)
Cookeville Police Department:	Christopher Joseph Kelleher (PSID L-43286)
Decherd Police Department:	Christopher Michael Vest (PSID 0577-1755)
Fairfield Glade Public Safety:	Cody Joseph Simon (PSID L-43309)
Knox County Sheriff's Office:	Terry Lee McBee (PSID L-43259)
Lebanon Police Department:	Nico Christopher Palazzo (PSID L-43248)
Maury County Sheriff's Office:	Eric Dane Wahl (PSID L-43243)
TN Department of Corrections:	Kenneth Martin Spencer (PSID 8164-6974)
TN Office of Homeland Security:	Pstachu Sherman Kohut (PSID L-43214)
Williamson County Sheriff's Office:	Kenneth Chene Block (PSID L-43285)

II. WAIVERS FOR PRE-EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS: MILITARY HISTORY – RULE 1110-09-.04(1)(b)

P.O.S.T. reviewed and administratively approved **3** Military Discharge waiver(s) that meet the criteria for approval set forth by the Peace Officer Standards and Training requirements.

The following departments are requesting a military discharge waiver for the following officers:

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

Erwin Police Department:	Nicolas Dale Andes (PSID 9435-1034)
Kingston Police Department:	Jessica Shawn Staton (PSID L-43318)
Munford Police Department:	Derrick Dewayne Times (PSID 6776-7116)

III. WAIVERS OF RE-ENROLLMENT IN AN ACADEMY – RULE 1110-09-.07

P.O.S.T. reviewed and administratively approved 2 Change of Academy waiver(s) that meet the criteria for approval set forth by the Peace Officer Standards and Training requirements.

The following departments are requesting a waiver to change academies for officers who have previously attended an academy:

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

Chattanooga Police Department:
Walters State Training Academy:

Nicholas Ryan Flores (PSID L-42565)
Victor Allen Cooper (PSID 1762-4056)

IV. WAIVERS OF EIGHT (8) MONTH RULE:

THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUESTING EIGHT (8) MONTH WAIVERS FOR THE 2025 CALENDAR YEAR, SO THE DEPARTMENTS WILL ALSO REMAIN IN COMPLIANCE.

P.O.S.T. reviewed all corresponding supporting documents and administratively approved 0 waivers of in-service for the eight (8) month rule.

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

NONE

V. WAIVERS FOR MEDICAL – RULE 1110-09-.06

The following departments are requesting a waiver for medical reasons for the 2025 calendar year, so the departments will also remain in compliance. Officers did not complete in-service training and are not eligible for Salary Supplement.

P.O.S.T. reviewed and administratively approved 0 medical in-service waivers and all corresponding supporting documents.

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

NONE

VI. WAIVERS FOR MILITARY LEAVE – RULE 1110-09-.06(5)

The following departments are requesting a waiver for military service for the 2025 calendar year. Military orders are included along with change of status. These officers will be eligible to receive salary supplements, and the departments will remain in compliance.

P.O.S.T. has reviewed and administratively approved 0 Military Waiver(s) and corresponding supporting documents.

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

NONE

VII. WAIVERS FOR LINE OF DUTY

The following departments are requesting a waiver for line of duty deaths for the 2025 calendar year. Memos are included along with a change of status. These officers completed in-service training for the 2025 calendar year, will be eligible to receive salary supplements, and the departments will remain in compliance.

P.O.S.T. has reviewed and administratively approved 0 Line of Duty Waiver(s) and corresponding supporting documents.

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

NONE

VIII. WAIVERS OF IN-SERVICE FOR AGENCY COMPLIANCE ONLY – RULE 1110-09-.05

Requests for a waiver have been received from the following agencies so their departments will remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines. The officers are no longer employed with the agencies and are not eligible for the 2025 Salary Supplement.

P.O.S.T. has reviewed and administratively approved 0 Agency Compliance Waiver(s) and corresponding supporting documents.

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

NONE

IX. APPLICATIONS FOR TRAINING OFFICER – 1110-04-.03

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved **4** application(s) for Training Officer that meet the criteria for approval.

AGENCY & OFFICER NAME/PSID

Chattanooga Police Department:
Erwin Police Department:
Henderson County Sheriff's Office:
McMinn County Sheriff's Office:

Curtis John Roth (PSID 2662-4146)
Tyse Eugene Atwood (PSID 3915-2343)
Alan Wade Nowell (PSID 5193-1335)
Sarah Kay Gray (PSID 4878-0306)

The officer(s) listed below **if any** will be informed, they have **one year to complete the Instructor Development course or approved substitute:**

OFFICER NAME/PSID

NONE

X. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR – 1110-03-.04

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved **3** application(s) for Certified Instructor. The applicants meet minimum standards and have completed the minimum hours in attendance of required courses.

AGENCY OFFICER NAME/PSID

Dyersburg Police Department:
Madisonville Police Department:
Law Enforcement Officer Safety Act:

Jason Michael Alexander (PSID 4770-2512)
Steven Thomas Spradlin (PSID 4272-6951)
Roy Gray (PSID 5194-9955)

The instructors listed below **if any** will be notified, they have **one year to complete Instructor Development or an approved substitute:**

NONE

The officers listed below **if any** request a waiver of **the one-year training officer requirement:**

OFFICER NAME/PSID

Jason Michael Alexander

(PSID 4770-2512)

XI. CURRICULUM AND TESTS – 1110-04 and SPECIALIZED TRAINING CURRICULUM – 1110-04-.09

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 114 In-service and Specialized Training classes this month as they are in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officer Standards and Training requirements. They have made note if these training officers meet the P.O.S.T. requirements for Firearms, EVOC, Mental Illness and CSA.

XII. AUDIT/INSPECTION REPORTS

P.O.S.T. investigators conducted 8 Audits/Inspections of law enforcement agencies and training academies. They have made note of any findings and provided recommendations for compliance.

McMinn County Sheriff's Office – conducted on July 23, 2026.

Findings: NONE

Recommendations: NONE

Shelbyville Police Department – conducted on July 23, 2026.

Findings: NONE

Recommendations: NONE

Union City Police Department – conducted on July 13, 2026.

Findings: NONE

Recommendations: NONE

University of Memphis Department of Public Safety– conducted on July 23, 2026.

Findings: NONE

Recommendations: NONE

Vanderbilt University Police Department– conducted on August 6, 2026.

Findings: NONE

Recommendations: NONE

Warren County Sheriff's Office – conducted on July 24, 2026.

Findings: NONE

Recommendations: NONE

White County Sheriff's Office – conducted on July 24, 2026.

Findings: NONE

Recommendations: NONE

Wilson County Sheriff's Office – conducted on August 6, 2026.

Findings: 13 issues found - 10 records found with no fingerprint card, 2 with no full-time status notated in Acadis, and 1 showing active but no documents are found in Acadis.

Recommendations: NONE