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This bill would adjust the time in service requirements for individuals who served in the military as military police, or their equivalent, that are used to determine reciprocity for the peace officer standards and training (POST) board examination. Under current law, an individual may be allowed to take the POST exam if they satisfy any of the following:

- (1) Have served five years active service as a military law enforcement officer;
- (2) Have served three years as a military law enforcement officer, and have obtained a two-year or longer degree from an accredited post-graduate institution; or
- (3) Have five years of cumulative military and/or civilian law enforcement experience.

Under this bill, each category would be lowered to four years of cumulative experience. For example, someone with four years of military service as an MP would qualify, or someone with two years of military experience and a two year degree. The bill also incorporates “cumulative service” which would also include reserve and National Guard members.

This reciprocity does not automatically grant POST certification. Instead, this reciprocity only allows a candidate to sit for the examination, and they must still meet other criteria to be POST certified.