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3 By Senator Bussman  
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, termination dates are  
9 established for enumerated state agencies. The  
10 agencies are periodically reviewed by the Alabama  
11 Sunset Committee. After the review process is  
12 completed, the committee prepares its  
13 recommendations for the agencies to the Legislature  
14 in the form of sunset bills which either continue,  
15 terminate, or continue with modification each  
16 agency reviewed.

17 This bill would provide for the continuance  
18 of the Alabama Private Investigation Board until  
19 October 1, 2020, with the following change: To  
20 clarify the minimum age for certification as a  
21 trainer and assistant trainer.

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23 A BILL  
24 TO BE ENTITLED  
25 AN ACT  
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1           Relating to the Alabama Sunset Law; to continue the  
2           existence and functioning of the Alabama Private Investigation  
3           Board until October 1, 2020, with certain modifications; to  
4           amend Section 34-25B-27, Code of Alabama 1975, so as to  
5           clarify the minimum age for certification as a trainer and  
6           assistant trainer.

7           BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8           Section 1. Pursuant to the Alabama Sunset Law, the  
9           sunset committee recommends the continuance of the Alabama  
10          Private Investigation Board until October 1, 2020, with the  
11          additional recommendation for statutory change as set out in  
12          Section 3.

13          Section 2. The existence and functioning of the  
14          Alabama Private Investigation Board, created and functioning  
15          pursuant to Sections 34-25B-1 to 34-25B-29, inclusive, Code of  
16          Alabama 1975, is continued until October 1, 2020, and those  
17          code sections are expressly preserved.

18          Section 3. Section 34-25B-27 of the Code of Alabama  
19          1975, is amended to read as follows:

20                 "§34-25B-27.

21                 "(a) Any person offering private investigation  
22          training must first be certified by the board. The board shall  
23          ensure that the instructors employed by the training provider  
24          possess both the experience and academic credentials to ensure  
25          that the curriculum and instruction will be beneficial to  
26          those seeking to enter the profession. In order to qualify as

1 a certified trainer or instructor, or both, the trainer shall  
2 meet the following criteria that he or she:

3 "(1) Is at least 21 years of age.

4 "(2) Has had at least three years' experience  
5 satisfactory to the board with an investigative company or  
6 proprietary entity or with any federal, United States  
7 Military, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency  
8 relating to the block of instruction.

9 "(3) Is personally qualified to conduct the training  
10 required by this chapter and is certified by the board which  
11 shall establish standards for the instruction process.

12 "(b) A certified trainer, in his or her discretion,  
13 may instruct personally or use a combination of personal,  
14 instruction, audio, and visual training aids.

15 "(c) To assist in the implementation of a training  
16 program, the certified trainer may use as an assistant trainer  
17 any person who meets each of the following requirements that  
18 the assistant:

19 "(1) Is at least 19 years of age.

20 "(2) Has had at least one year of experience with an  
21 investigative company or any United States Military, state,  
22 county, or municipal law enforcement agency.

23 "(d) A certified trainer may be an employee of a  
24 private investigative or propriety agency or, if not, employed  
25 by an agency as a company under this chapter.

1           "(e) The certified trainer shall certify that he or  
2 she has successfully completed the training and shall submit  
3 the certification to the board.

4           "(f) The training program, fees, and requirements  
5 shall be established by rules promulgated by the board."

6           Section 4. The Legislature concurs in the  
7 recommendations of the Sunset Committee as provided in  
8 Sections 1, 2, and 3.

9           Section 5. This act shall become effective  
10 immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or  
11 its otherwise becoming law.