NEW LAW ALERT!

PROPRIETARY SECURITY SERVICES

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The Bureau would like to bring your attention to <u>Assembly Bill 2515</u> (AB 2515), which was signed into law by Governor Newsom in September 2022 and will go into effect as of January 1, 2023.

<u>AB 2515</u> requires Proprietary Security Employers (PSE) and Proprietary Security Officers (PSO) to do the following:

- Maintain employee records for all PSOs
- Maintain training records for all PSOs
- Submit a written report to the Bureau regarding any physical altercation between a PSO and a member of the public
- Requires a PSO to carry on their person, while on duty, a valid and current PSO registration card
- Prohibits a PSO from carrying any firearm or other deadly weapon, including any electronic control device, stun gun, baton, or any chemical agent, including pepper spray

AB 2515 also provides the Bureau with the authority to automatically suspend a PSO registration if the individual is convicted of a crime that is substantially related to the qualifications and duties of the license. Additionally, AB 2515 provides increased cite and fine authority for violations.

The Bureau will provide additional information to PSEs in the coming months. Please note, Enforcement will begin conducting scheduled inspections of PSEs in 2023 to ensure compliance with these requirements.

We encourage all proprietary employers and guards to read up on the new requirements.

Lastly, the new PSO/PSE incident report is on our website and available on the following link: https://www.bsis.ca.gov/forms-pubs/bsis-incident-report-form.pdf