

**State of California
Office of Administrative Law**

In re:
Commission on Peace Officer Standards and
Training

Regulatory Action:

Title 11, California Code of Regulations

Amend sections: 1953

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY
ACTION**

Government Code Section 11349.3

OAL Matter Number: 2023-0731-01

OAL Matter Type: Regular (S)

This action mandates that the personal history statement that peace officer candidates must submit be the Personal History Statement--Peace Officer, POST 2-251 (2023) or an electronic version with the same questions.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 1/1/2024.

Date: September 11, 2023



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APPROVED TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATORY ACTION

Commission Regulation 1953

§ 1953. Peace Officer Background Investigation.

[Regulation 1953(a) – (b) continued...]

(c) Personal History Statements

(1) Every peace officer candidate shall complete, sign, and date a personal history statement at the onset of the background investigation. A personal history statement can be either the *Personal History Statement--Peace Officer*, POST 2-251 ~~(2018)~~ [\(1/2023\)](#) or [until June 30, 2024](#), an alternative personal history statement.

(2) An alternative personal history statement shall include inquiries related to the following areas of investigation:

- A. Personal identifying information,
- B. Relatives and references contact information,
- C. Education history,
- D. Residence history,
- E. Experience and employment history,
- F. Military history,
- G. Financial history,
- H. Legal history,
- I. Driving history,
- J. Other topics related to moral character.

(3) The personal history statement shall also include inquiries addressing all disqualifications for peace officer appointment as specified in Government Code Section 1029(a).

[\(4\) Effective July 1, 2024, the personal history statement shall be the *Personal History Statement – Peace Officer*, POST 2-251 \[\\(1/2023\\)\]\(#\), herein incorporated by reference, or an electronic personal history statement that is an exact replication of the questions contained in the POST 2-251.](#)

[Regulation 1953(d) – (g)(4) continued...]

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1029, 1030, 1031, 1031.2, 1031.3 and 1031.4, Government Code; and Sections 13503, 13506 and 13510, Penal Code. Reference: Sections 1029, 1030, 1031, 1031.2, 1031.3, [and 1031.4](#) ~~and 12900 et seq.~~, Government Code; Section 12500, Vehicle Code; Sections 13510, 13680, 13681, 13682, 13683 and 29805, Penal Code; and Title 18 Section 922(d)(9), US Code.