

*(d) The Commission is vested with the following authority, responsibility and duty:*

*(1) To prescribe standards for the approval and continuation of approval of recruit and in-service schools at which police training courses required by this Act shall be conducted, including but not limited to present existing State, regional, county, and municipal police training schools;*

*(2) To approve and issue certificates of approval to such police training schools, to inspect such schools from time to time, and to revoke for cause any approval or certificate issued to such school;*

*(3) To prescribe the curriculum, the minimum courses of study, attendance requirements, eligibility to attend, equipment and facilities, and standards of operation for such police training schools;*

*(4) To prescribe minimum qualifications for instructors at such schools and to certify, as qualified, instructors for approved police training schools and to issue appropriate certificates to such instructors;*

*(5) To certify police officers who have satisfactorily completed training programs and to issue appropriate certificates to such police officers;*

*(6) To appoint an executive secretary, to serve at its pleasure, who shall perform general administrative functions, and to fix his compensation;*

*(7) To employ such other persons as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, upon approval of the director of the budget and the Legislature;*

*(8) To make such rules and regulations as may be reasonably necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes and objectives of this Act;*

*(9) To make a continuous study of police recruit and in-service training methods and procedures and to consult with and accept the cooperation of any recognized Federal, State, or municipal law enforcement agency or educational institution;*

*(10) To consult and cooperate with universities, colleges and institutions in the State for the development of specialized courses of study for police officers in police science and police administration;*

*(11) To consult and cooperate with other departments and agencies of the State concerned with police training;*

*(12) To perform such other acts as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out its functions and duties as set forth in this Act.*

*(e) A probationary appointment as a police officer may be made for a total period not exceeding one (1) year for the purpose of enabling a person seeking permanent appointment to take a police training course as prescribed in this Act. No person shall be permitted to attend a police training school unless he holds such probationary appointment, except in the discretion of the Commission, and such appointee shall be entitled to leave of absence with pay during the period of the police training program.*