Bureau of Security and Investigative Services Advisory Committee Meeting July 7, 2016

Agenda Item 9: Approved Calibers for the Issuance of a BSIS Firearms Permit

Current law prohibits the holder of a BSIS Firearms Permit to carry or use a firearm of a caliber not listed on the permit. Further, Section 632 of Division 7 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) requires the applicant to qualify on the range with the caliber of weapon to be used while on duty as a condition for the issuance of the Firearms Permit. However, neither the law nor the CCR specify which calibers the Bureau is authorized to approve for the purposes of issuing the firearms permit.

The Course of Firearms Training outlined in CCR section 635 is specific to revolver and semi-automatic nomenclature and the Bureau does not approve the make or model of the weapon (only the caliber). Historically, the Bureau has approved calibers that are listed in the California Department of Justice's (DOJ) *Roster of Handguns Certified for Sale*. Because the DOJ is the authority responsible for regulating firearms in the State of California, the Bureau is proposing the following:

Specifying that the Bureau only approves calibers listed on the DOJ's
 Roster of Handguns Certified for Sale. This would mean that only
 calibers approved by DOJ will be eligible for a BSIS Firearms Permit.

Attachment: Roster of Handguns Certified for Sale, valid for [Insert Date]