The resulting Board vote represents a Board imposed compromise between divergent views. The Board adopted a 1,560 hour annual cumulative cap on part-time officer employment, based upon a 30 hour per week average. The Board adopted additional language negotiated by Board staff with the interested parties. The adopted language states:

"Full-time police officer" means a law enforcement officer who is a member of a duly authorized police department and employed full-time by a unit of local government. An officer who is employed by one or more local governmental agencies and works more than 1,560 work hours in a twelve month period beginning on the first of January of any calendar year, must comply with the training provisions of the Illinois Police Training Act. Nothing in this definition is intended to alter or affect the pension status of any public employee.

"Part-time police officer" means a law enforcement officer who is a member of a duly authorized police department and who is employed by one or more units of local government 1,560 hours or less per twelve month period beginning on the first of January of any calendar year. Part-time police officers must comply with the training provisions as specified in this part. Nothing in this definition is intended to alter affect the training requirements established for fulltime police officers as defined in this section and pursuant to the Illinois Police Training Act.

Advisory note: When law enforcement officers employed over 1560 hours. (definition of full time employment, Administrative Rule 1770.102), the day the 1560 hours is exceeded, or the initial date of full-time hiring is the effective start of the six month requirement. This requirement states, "....if such training is not completed within the applicable six months, then the officer must forfeit his/her position, or the employing agency must obtain a waiver from the Board extending the period compliance." (90 days). ILCS/705-8.1. (Note: Requests for status change must be accompanied by the Form E.)

Please note that the Illinois Municipal League has mailed notices to law enforcement agencies statewide concerning Board action regarding the administrative rules. It is important that agencies contact the Board office directly for any interpretive information regarding the rules. The Board is charged statutorily with carrying out the administrative procedures pertaining to Public Act 89-170.