

## CHAPTER 37

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**CRIMINAL LAW AND PROCEDURE**

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**HOUSE BILL 95-1280**

BY REPRESENTATIVES Kreutz, Chavez, Chlouber, George, and Knox;  
also SENATORS Bishop, Feeley, Hopper, Perlmutter, R. Powers, Tebedo, and Weddig.

**AN ACT****CONCERNING CLASSIFICATION OF FIRE ARSON INVESTIGATORS AS PEACE OFFICERS, LEVEL II.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** 18-1-901 (3) (I) (III), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1986 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

**18-1-901. Definitions.** (3) (I) (III) "Peace officer, level II," means an inspector of the state licensing authority under section 12-46-116, C.R.S., of the "Colorado Beer Code"; an inspector of the liquor enforcement division under section 12-47-131, C.R.S.; an authorized investigator of the state lottery division pursuant to section 24-35-205 (3) or 24-35-206 (7), C.R.S.; any authorized ~~investigators~~ INVESTIGATOR and the director of the division of gaming and the executive director of the department of revenue pursuant to section 12-47.1-204, C.R.S.; ANY FIRE ARSON INVESTIGATOR APPOINTED BY THE CHIEF OF ANY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND APPROVED BY THE SHERIFF OR THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE JURISDICTIONS IN WHICH SUCH FIRE ARSON INVESTIGATOR PERFORMS DUTIES; any officer, guard, or supervisory employee within the department of corrections, including parole officers pursuant to article 2 of title 17, C.R.S., except any investigator employed by the department of corrections; a security guard employed by the state of Colorado; a security officer as defined in section 24-7-101, C.R.S.; a district wildlife manager, special district wildlife manager, or parks and recreation officer defined as a peace officer pursuant to section 33-1-102, C.R.S., and acting under the authority of a peace officer pursuant to sections 33-6-101 and 33-15-101, C.R.S.; or a railroad employee defined as a peace officer pursuant to section 40-32-104.5, C.R.S., who shall have access to Colorado bureau of investigation fugitive and stolen property records. "Peace officer, level II," has the authority to enforce all the laws of the state of Colorado while acting within the scope of his authority and in the performance of his duties, and section 18-1-106

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

(1.5) and section 18-3-107 shall apply to "peace officer, level II".

**SECTION 2. Effective date.** This act shall take effect July 1, 1995.

**SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: March 30, 1995