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Abstract: Expands the authority and duties of the Weights and Standards Stationary Scales Police Force to make it commensurate with that of other law enforcement officers and provides for related matters.

<u>Present law</u> provides authority for Weights and Standards Stationary Scales Police who receive P.O.S.T. training to carry weapons and make arrests with the same authority and powers conferred by law upon other law enforcement officers of this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes the limited authority granted to Weights and Standards Stationary Scales Police Force and provides for expanded authority and duties for Weights and Standards Stationary Scales Police Force including the authority to enforce criminal and traffic laws, apprehend criminals and make arrests, and the same powers with respect to criminal matters and the enforcement of the law as sheriffs, constables, and police officers.

(Amends R.S. 32:2(C)(2))