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The Training and Testing Regulation, enacted pursuant to the Private Security and Investigative Services Act, 2005 (PSISA), became effective on April 15, 2010. PSISA serves as the regulatory framework for the private security industry, governing its operations in Ontario.

This legislation is instrumental in elevating the standards and professionalism within the security sector, bolstering public safety, and ensuring that security practitioners receive appropriate training and possess the qualifications necessary to provide protective services. To obtain a license, all security guards are mandated to comply with the mandatory prerequisites stipulated in the Training and Testing Regulation.

In light of the growing global concern surrounding security issues, the security industry has experienced remarkable expansion, emerging as one of North Americas most rapidly growing sectors. A recent survey conducted by Statistics Canada in 2006 revealed that there were more personnel employed as Security Guards in Canada than there were police officers.

