

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 439

BY SENATOR MIZELL

LAW ENFORCEMENT. Requires in-person trauma-informed training for law enforcement officers. (8/1/24)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:2405.8(J), relative to peace office training requirements; to require trauma-
3 informed training; to provide for terms and conditions; and to provide for related
4 matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:2405.8(J) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §2405.8. Additional peace officer training requirements

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9 **J.(1) The council shall develop and continuously update trauma-**
10 **informed training materials in its basic and in-service training curriculums.**

11 **(2) The trauma-informed materials shall consist of trauma-informed**
12 **skills, practices, and leadership.**

13 **(3) The initial orientation to trauma-informed training shall be**
14 **classroom instruction, and shall be conducted at a P.O.S.T. accredited academy**
15 **or a P.O.S.T. approved training center. The council may designate an**
16 **alternative method for delivery of the training when otherwise not logistically**
17 **feasible.**

1 **(4) All peace officers employed on August 1, 2024, who have been**
2 **employed for one year or more, shall complete the training within one year after**
3 **the curriculum has been developed and approved by the council.**

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

DIGEST

SB 439 Engrossed

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Proposed law requires the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T. or council) to develop and continuously update trauma-informed training materials in its basic and in-service training curriculums.

Proposed law requires the trauma informed materials to consist of trauma-informed skills, practices, and leadership.

Proposed law requires the initial orientation to trauma-informed training be classroom instruction, and be conducted at a P.O.S.T. accredited academy or a P.O.S.T. approved training center. Proposed law authorizes the council to designate an alternative method for delivery of the training when otherwise not logistically feasible.

Proposed law requires all peace officers employed on August 1, 2024, who have been employed for one year or more, to complete the training within one year after the curriculum has been developed and approved by the council.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 40:2405.8(J))