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Proposed law defines "tactical medical professional" as a licensed paramedic or physician who is appointed to provide direct support to a tactical law enforcement unit by providing medical services at high-risk incidents.

Proposed law authorizes a tactical medical professional to carry a firearm in the same manner as a law enforcement officer at any place a tactical law enforcement operation occurs if certain conditions are met by the tactical medical professional and the law enforcement agency utilizing the tactical medical professional.

Proposed law provides for the tactical medical professional to have the same immunities and privileges as a law enforcement officer while the tactical medical professional is actively operating in direct support of a tactical operation.

Proposed law prohibits a tactical medical professional from carrying, transporting, or storing firearms or ammunition on any fire apparatus or EMS vehicle.

Proposed law requires the appointing law enforcement agency to issue any firearm or ammunition that the tactical medical professional carries.

Present law requires all level one basic law enforcement peace officers to complete a minimum of 400 hours of core curriculum for basic peace officers as prescribed by the council. Present law further requires all full-time, part-time, or reserve peace officers to complete a minimum of 20 hours of in-service training requirements prescribed by the council on an annual basis.

Proposed law retains present law for full-time and part-time law enforcement officers.

Proposed law requires all reserve and auxiliary peace officers to complete a minimum of 100 hours of core curriculum, 75 of which shall be offered online, and 8 hours of annual in-service training.

Proposed law requires the P.O.S.T. council to develop an updated training program for reserve and auxiliary peace officers by Jan. 1, 2026.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Amends R.S. 40:2404.2(A) and (B)(1) and 2405(A)(2) and (3), (H)(1)(a), (J)(1)(intro para), and (J)(2)(intro para); adds R.S. 40:1379.1.6, 2404.3, and 2405(A)(4))