

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 296

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMANN

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

LAW ENFORCE/OFFICERS: Provides relative to training for law enforcement officers and first responders with regard to Alzheimer's and other dementia-related conditions

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2405.8(G) and to enact R.S. 40:1133.1(D) and 2405.8(H),  
3 relative to peace officer training; to provide for emergency medical personnel  
4 training; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:2405.8(G) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
7 40:1133.1(D) and 40:2405.8(H) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1133.1. Emergency medical personnel training; licensure

9 \* \* \*

10 D. The bureau shall ensure that Alzheimer's and dementia training are  
11 incorporated within their education programs.

12 \* \* \*

13 §2405.8. Additional peace officer training requirements

14 \* \* \*

15 G. The council shall ensure that Alzheimer's and dementia training are  
16 incorporated within their education programs.

17 H.(1) The council shall promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with  
18 the Administrative Procedure Act, subject to the oversight of the House Committee  
19 on the Administration of Criminal Justice and the Senate Committee on Judiciary B,

1 for the implementation of a homicide investigator training program no later than July  
2 1, 2016.

3 (2)(a) The council shall promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with  
4 the Administrative Procedure Act, subject to the oversight of the House Committee  
5 on the Administration of Criminal Justice and the Senate Committee on Judiciary B,  
6 for the implementation of a sexual assault awareness training program as provided  
7 in R.S. 17:1805(H) no later than October 1, 2015.

8 (b) The council shall promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with  
9 the Administrative Procedure Act, subject to the oversight of the House Committee  
10 on the Administration of Criminal Justice and the Senate Committee on Judiciary B,  
11 for the implementation of a sexual assault awareness training program for peace  
12 officers as defined in R.S. 40:2402(3)(a) as provided in Paragraph (C)(3) of this  
13 Section no later than January 1, 2017.

14 (3)(a) The council shall promulgate rules in accordance with the  
15 Administrative Procedure Act for implementation of the following training programs  
16 for peace officers as provided in Subsections E and F of this Section:

17 (i) Domestic violence awareness training.

18 (ii) Communication with deaf or hard of hearing individuals.

19 (b) The council shall create and maintain a list of peace officers who have  
20 successfully completed the domestic violence awareness training and the training on  
21 communication with deaf or hard of hearing individuals.

---

#### DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

---

HB 296 Engrossed

2019 Regular Session

Hoffmann

**Abstract:** Provides for the training of peace officers and first responders with respect to interacting with Alzheimer's and dementia patients.

Present law provides certain requirements for the education and training of emergency medical personnel and peace officers.

Proposed law requires the La. Dept. of Health, bureau of emergency medical services and the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training to incorporate Alzheimer's and dementia training into their education training programs.

(Amends R.S. 40:2405.8(G); Adds R.S. 40:1133.1(D) and 2405.8(H))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill:

1. Remove the requirement that the bureau and the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training create an Alzheimer's and dementia training program for emergency medical personnel and peace officers, respectively.
2. Require the bureau and the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training to incorporate Alzheimer's and dementia training into their current curriculum.
3. Remove the requirement that the training be completed within a certain amount of time.