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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 133—ASSEMBLYMEN FLORES, GONZÁLEZ; ANDERSON, BROWN-MAY, CONSIDINE, DURAN, MARTINEZ, SUMMERS-ARMSTRONG, THOMAS AND TORRES

FEBRUARY 15, 2021

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to peace officers. (BDR 23-240)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact. Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to peace officers; revising provisions governing the standards for programs of continuing education for peace officers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law requires the Peace Officers’ Standards and Training Commission
2 to adopt regulations establishing minimum standards for the certification and
3 decertification, recruitment, selection and training of peace officers. The
4 regulations adopted by the Commission must establish, among other things,
5 standards for programs for the continuing education of peace officers, including
6 minimum courses of study, and must require all peace officers to complete not less
7 than 12 hours of continuing education courses annually that address: (1) racial
8 profiling; (2) mental health; (3) the well being of officers; (4) implicit bias
9 recognition; (5) de-escalation; (6) human trafficking; and (7) firearms. (NRS
10 289.510) This bill requires, instead, that the regulations adopted by the Commission
11 require that all category I peace officers annually complete: (1) not less than 6
12 hours of professional development and training in a course on firearms, which must
13 be completed in person; and (2) not less than 48 hours of professional development
14 and training in certain courses, at least half of which, must be completed in person.
15 This bill also expands the courses in which such professional development and
16 training may be offered to include courses that address: (1) individuals with
17 intellectual or developmental disabilities; (2) issues relating to lesbian, gay,
18 bisexual, transgender and questioning persons; (3) domestic terrorism; (4)
19 emergency vehicle operations; (5) crisis intervention; and (6) riot control. Lastly,
20 this bill requires the Commission to adopt regulations establishing standards for
21 how the completion of the required programs for professional development and



22 training will be accounted for in any promotions and performance evaluations of a
23 peace officer.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)

2 **Sec. 1.5.** NRS 289.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:
3 289.510 1. The Commission:

4 (a) Shall meet at the call of the Chair, who must be elected by a
5 majority vote of the members of the Commission.

6 (b) Shall provide for and encourage the training and education
7 of persons whose primary duty is law enforcement to ensure the
8 safety of the residents of and visitors to this State.

9 (c) Shall adopt regulations establishing minimum standards for
10 the certification and decertification, recruitment, selection and
11 training of peace officers. The regulations must establish:

12 (1) Requirements for basic training for category I, category II
13 and category III peace officers and reserve peace officers;

14 (2) Standards for programs for the ~~continuing education~~
15 *professional development and training* of *all categories of* peace
16 officers, including minimum courses of study and requirements
17 concerning attendance . ~~which~~ *The minimum courses of study*
18 *and requirements for category I peace officers* must require that all
19 *category I* peace officers annually complete not less than ~~12~~ *6*
20 hours of ~~continuing education~~ *in person professional development*
21 *and training each year in a course that addresses firearms and not*
22 *less than 48 hours of professional development and training each*
23 *year* in courses that address:

24 (I) Racial profiling;

25 (II) Mental health;

26 (III) The well being of officers;

27 (IV) Implicit bias recognition;

28 (V) De-escalation;

29 (VI) Human trafficking; ~~and~~

30 (VII) ~~Firearms~~ *Individuals with intellectual or*
31 *developmental disabilities;*

32 (VIII) *Issues relating to lesbian, gay, bisexual,*
33 *transgender and questioning persons;*

34 (IX) *Domestic terrorism;*

35 (X) *Emergency vehicle operations;*

36 (XI) *Crisis intervention in accordance with the standard*
37 *curriculum developed pursuant to paragraph (i); and*

38 (XII) *Riot control.*



1 ↪ *At least half of the 48 required hours of professional*
2 *development and training in courses described in sub-*
3 *subparagraphs (I) to (XII), inclusive, must be completed in person.*
4 *Any remaining hours may be completed in person or online.*

5 (3) Qualifications for instructors of peace officers; ~~and~~

6 (4) Requirements for the certification of a course of training
7 ~~and~~; and

8 (5) *Standards for how completion of the programs for the*
9 *professional development and training of peace officers must be*
10 *accounted for in any promotions or performance evaluations of*
11 *peace officers.*

12 (d) Shall, when necessary, present courses of training ,
13 *professional development* and continuing education courses for
14 category I, category II and category III peace officers and reserve
15 peace officers.

16 (e) May make necessary inquiries to determine whether the
17 agencies of this State and of the local governments are complying
18 with standards set forth in its regulations.

19 (f) Shall carry out the duties required of the Commission
20 pursuant to NRS 432B.610 and 432B.620.

21 (g) May perform any other acts that may be necessary and
22 appropriate to the functions of the Commission as set forth in NRS
23 289.450 to 289.680, inclusive.

24 (h) May enter into an interlocal agreement with an Indian tribe
25 to provide training to and certification of persons employed as
26 police officers by that Indian tribe.

27 (i) Shall develop and approve a standard curriculum of certified
28 training programs in crisis intervention, which may be made
29 available in an electronic format, and which address specialized
30 responses to persons with mental illness and train peace officers to
31 identify the signs and symptoms of mental illness, to de-escalate
32 situations involving persons who appear to be experiencing a
33 behavioral health crisis and, if appropriate, to connect such persons
34 to treatment. A peace officer who completes any program developed
35 pursuant to this paragraph must be issued a certificate of
36 completion.

37 2. Regulations adopted by the Commission:

38 (a) Apply to all agencies of this State and of local governments
39 in this State that employ persons as peace officers;

40 (b) Must require that all peace officers receive training in the
41 handling of cases involving abuse or neglect of children or missing
42 children;

43 (c) Must require that all peace officers receive training in the
44 handling of cases involving abuse, neglect, exploitation, isolation
45 and abandonment of older persons or vulnerable persons; and



1 (d) May require that training be carried on at institutions which
2 it approves in those regulations.

3 **Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)

4 **Sec. 3.** (Deleted by amendment.)

5 **Sec. 4.** (Deleted by amendment.)

6 **Sec. 5.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and
7 approval.

8 2. Sections 1 to 4, inclusive, of this act become effective:

9 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any
10 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative
11 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

12 (b) On January 1, 2022, for all other purposes.

