



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

SB2915

Introduced 1/27/2026, by Sen. Meg Loughran Cappel

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Judicial Sexual Assault Training Act. Requires the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts to develop and implement a sexual assault continuing education program for judges and relevant court personnel. Provides issues to be included in the program. Requires the program to be included in the New Judge Seminar curriculum and be a mandatory program at the biennial Judicial Education Conference. Requires the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts to make a record of a judge's completion of the program after the New Judge Seminar and the Judicial Education Conference and make that record available to the public upon request.

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1 AN ACT concerning courts.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be referred to as the  
5 Judicial Sexual Assault Training Act.

6 Section 5. Education and training program.

7 (a) The Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts shall  
8 develop and implement a sexual assault continuing education  
9 program for judges and relevant court personnel. The  
10 continuing education program shall:

11 (1) be provided by professionals with substantial  
12 experience in assisting survivors of sexual assault;

13 (2) rely on evidence based, peer reviewed research by  
14 recognized experts; and

15 (3) be designed to improve the ability of the courts  
16 to recognize and respond to sexual assault and abuse and  
17 trauma, make appropriate decisions that prioritize the  
18 safety and well-being of victims and household members,  
19 and be culturally sensitive and appropriate for diverse  
20 communities.

21 (b) The continuing education program shall be included in  
22 the New Judge Seminar curriculum and be a mandatory program at  
23 the biennial Judicial Education Conference.

1           (c) The Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts must  
2           make a record of a judge's completion of the program after the  
3           New Judge Seminar and the Judicial Education Conference and  
4           make that record available to the public upon request.