



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB5098

Introduced 2/7/2012, by Rep. Jerry F. Costello, II

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 705/7

from Ch. 85, par. 507

Amends the Illinois Police Training Act. Provides that the curriculum for probationary police officers shall include courses pertaining to the recognition of elder abuse and neglect and crimes against the elderly. Effective January 1, 2013.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Police Training Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 7 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 705/7) (from Ch. 85, par. 507)

7 Sec. 7. Rules and standards for schools. The Board shall  
8 adopt rules and minimum standards for such schools which shall  
9 include but not be limited to the following:

10 a. The curriculum for probationary police officers which  
11 shall be offered by all certified schools shall include but not  
12 be limited to courses of arrest, search and seizure, civil  
13 rights, human relations, cultural diversity, including racial  
14 and ethnic sensitivity, criminal law, law of criminal  
15 procedure, vehicle and traffic law including uniform and  
16 non-discriminatory enforcement of the Illinois Vehicle Code,  
17 traffic control and accident investigation, techniques of  
18 obtaining physical evidence, court testimonies, statements,  
19 reports, firearms training, first-aid (including  
20 cardiopulmonary resuscitation), handling of juvenile  
21 offenders, recognition of mental conditions which require  
22 immediate assistance and methods to safeguard and provide  
23 assistance to a person in need of mental treatment, recognition

1 of elder abuse and neglect as defined in Section 2 of the Elder  
2 Abuse and Neglect Act, crimes against the elderly, law of  
3 evidence, the hazards of high-speed police vehicle chases with  
4 an emphasis on alternatives to the high-speed chase, and  
5 physical training. The curriculum shall include specific  
6 training in techniques for immediate response to and  
7 investigation of cases of domestic violence and of sexual  
8 assault of adults and children. The curriculum shall also  
9 include a block of instruction aimed at identifying and  
10 interacting with persons with autism and other developmental  
11 disabilities, reducing barriers to reporting crimes against  
12 persons with autism, and addressing the unique challenges  
13 presented by cases involving victims or witnesses with autism  
14 and other developmental disabilities. The curriculum for  
15 permanent police officers shall include but not be limited to  
16 (1) refresher and in-service training in any of the courses  
17 listed above in this subparagraph, (2) advanced courses in any  
18 of the subjects listed above in this subparagraph, (3) training  
19 for supervisory personnel, and (4) specialized training in  
20 subjects and fields to be selected by the board.

21 b. Minimum courses of study, attendance requirements and  
22 equipment requirements.

23 c. Minimum requirements for instructors.

24 d. Minimum basic training requirements, which a  
25 probationary police officer must satisfactorily complete  
26 before being eligible for permanent employment as a local law

1 enforcement officer for a participating local governmental  
2 agency. Those requirements shall include training in first aid  
3 (including cardiopulmonary resuscitation).

4 e. Minimum basic training requirements, which a  
5 probationary county corrections officer must satisfactorily  
6 complete before being eligible for permanent employment as a  
7 county corrections officer for a participating local  
8 governmental agency.

9 f. Minimum basic training requirements which a  
10 probationary court security officer must satisfactorily  
11 complete before being eligible for permanent employment as a  
12 court security officer for a participating local governmental  
13 agency. The Board shall establish those training requirements  
14 which it considers appropriate for court security officers and  
15 shall certify schools to conduct that training.

16 A person hired to serve as a court security officer must  
17 obtain from the Board a certificate (i) attesting to his or her  
18 successful completion of the training course; (ii) attesting to  
19 his or her satisfactory completion of a training program of  
20 similar content and number of hours that has been found  
21 acceptable by the Board under the provisions of this Act; or  
22 (iii) attesting to the Board's determination that the training  
23 course is unnecessary because of the person's extensive prior  
24 law enforcement experience.

25 Individuals who currently serve as court security officers  
26 shall be deemed qualified to continue to serve in that capacity

1 so long as they are certified as provided by this Act within 24  
2 months of the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1996.  
3 Failure to be so certified, absent a waiver from the Board,  
4 shall cause the officer to forfeit his or her position.

5 All individuals hired as court security officers on or  
6 after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1996 shall  
7 be certified within 12 months of the date of their hire, unless  
8 a waiver has been obtained by the Board, or they shall forfeit  
9 their positions.

10 The Sheriff's Merit Commission, if one exists, or the  
11 Sheriff's Office if there is no Sheriff's Merit Commission,  
12 shall maintain a list of all individuals who have filed  
13 applications to become court security officers and who meet the  
14 eligibility requirements established under this Act. Either  
15 the Sheriff's Merit Commission, or the Sheriff's Office if no  
16 Sheriff's Merit Commission exists, shall establish a schedule  
17 of reasonable intervals for verification of the applicants'  
18 qualifications under this Act and as established by the Board.  
19 (Source: P.A. 95-171, eff. 1-1-08.)

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January  
21 1, 2013.