

SB1619



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/15/2019, by Sen. Napoleon Harris, III

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 705/10.21

Amends the Illinois Police Training Act. Provides that the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board shall include in their evidence-based curriculum standards for cases of sexual assault and sexual abuse specific techniques on interviewing minors. Provides that the evidence-based curriculum standards for cases of sexual assault and sexual abuse specific shall be required for probationary police officers and all law enforcement officers (rather than only for law enforcement officers who conduct sexual assault and sexual abuse investigations).

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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 10.21 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 705/10.21)

7 Sec. 10.21. Training; sexual assault and sexual abuse.

8 (a) The Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board
9 shall conduct or approve training programs in trauma-informed
10 responses and investigations of sexual assault and sexual
11 abuse, which include, but is not limited to, the following:

12 (1) recognizing the symptoms of trauma;

13 (2) understanding the role trauma has played in a
14 victim's life;

15 (3) responding to the needs and concerns of a victim;

16 (4) delivering services in a compassionate, sensitive,
17 and nonjudgmental manner;

18 (5) interviewing techniques in accordance with the
19 curriculum standards in subsection (f) of this Section;

20 (6) understanding cultural perceptions and common
21 myths of sexual assault and sexual abuse;

22 (7) report writing techniques in accordance with the
23 curriculum standards in subsection (f) of this Section; and

1 (8) recognizing special sensitivities of victims due
2 to: age, including those under the age of 13; gender; or
3 other qualifications.

4 (b) This training must be presented in all full and
5 part-time basic law enforcement academies on or before July 1,
6 2018.

7 (c) Agencies employing law enforcement officers must
8 present this training to all law enforcement officers within 3
9 years after January 1, 2017 (the effective date of Public Act
10 99-801) and must present in-service training on sexual assault
11 and sexual abuse response and report writing training
12 requirements every 3 years.

13 (d) Agencies employing law enforcement officers who
14 conduct sexual assault and sexual abuse investigations must
15 provide specialized training to these officers on sexual
16 assault and sexual abuse investigations within 2 years after
17 January 1, 2017 (the effective date of Public Act 99-801) and
18 must present in-service training on sexual assault and sexual
19 abuse investigations to these officers every 3 years.

20 (e) Instructors providing this training shall have
21 successfully completed training on evidence-based,
22 trauma-informed, victim-centered response to cases of sexual
23 assault and sexual abuse and have experience responding to
24 sexual assault and sexual abuse cases.

25 (f) The Board shall adopt rules, in consultation with the
26 Office of the Illinois Attorney General and the Department of

1 State Police, to determine the specific training requirements
2 for these courses, including, but not limited to, the
3 following:

4 (1) evidence-based curriculum standards for report
5 writing and immediate response to sexual assault and sexual
6 abuse, including trauma-informed, victim-centered, age
7 sensitive, interview techniques, which have been
8 demonstrated to minimize retraumatization, for
9 probationary police officers and all law enforcement
10 officers; and

11 (2) evidence-based curriculum standards for
12 trauma-informed, victim-centered, age sensitive
13 investigation and interviewing techniques (including
14 specific techniques on interviewing minors), which have
15 been demonstrated to minimize retraumatization, for cases
16 of sexual assault and sexual abuse for probationary police
17 officers and all law enforcement officers ~~who conduct~~
18 ~~sexual assault and sexual abuse investigations.~~

19 (Source: P.A. 99-801, eff. 1-1-17; 100-201, eff. 8-18-17;
20 100-910, eff. 1-1-19.)