

**104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY****State of Illinois****2025 and 2026****SB4043**

Introduced 2/6/2026, by Sen. Willie Preston

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Illinois Police Training Act. Restructures the rules and standards of the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board for basic training schools. Provides that the Board shall be responsible for establishing basic curriculum for law enforcement officers, county correctional officers, and court security officers. Provides that the Board shall certify in-service courses to be delivered by Mobile Training Units, the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Executive Institute, and other providers. Provides that the curriculum for probationary law enforcement officers shall include courses concerning foundations of law enforcement, human behaviors, investigations, fundamentals of criminal law, law enforcement patrol, law enforcement officer tactics, and officer wellness. Requires the Board to establish minimum basic training requirements that probationary county corrections officers and probationary court security officers must satisfactorily complete before the probationary county corrections officers and probationary court security officers are eligible for permanent employment as county corrections officers or probationary court security officers. Provides that the Board shall adopt rules and minimum standards for the 30 hours of in-service trainings that officers must complete every 3 years. Provides that, annually, a law enforcement officer must satisfactorily complete trainings in law updates, firearm requalification, and officer wellness and mental health. Requires notice of the inactivation to be provided by the Board to the current and prior employer. Provides that a person hired to serve as a court security officer must obtain from the Board a certificate (i) attesting to the officer's successful completion of the training course; (ii) attesting to the officer's satisfactory completion of a training program of similar content and number of hours that has been found acceptable by the Board under the provisions of this Act; or (iii) attesting to the Board's determination that the training course is unnecessary because of the person's extensive prior law enforcement experience.

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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 and by adding Sections 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.7,
6 and 8.5 as follows:

7 (50 ILCS 705/7)

8 Sec. 7. Rules and standards for schools. The Board shall
9 be responsible for establishing basic curriculum for Law
10 enforcement officers, county correctional officers, and court
11 security officers. The Board shall certify in-service courses
12 to be delivered by Mobile Training Units, the Illinois Law
13 Enforcement Training and Standards Board Executive Institute,
14 and other providers approved by the Board. The Board shall
15 establish:

16 (1) the curriculum for probationary officers that
17 shall be offered by all certified schools;

18 (2) minimum courses of study, attendance requirements
19 and equipment requirements; and

20 (3) minimum requirements for instructors.

21 ~~adopt rules and minimum standards for such schools which shall~~
22 ~~include, but not be limited to, the following:~~

23 ~~a. The curriculum for probationary law enforcement~~

~~officers which shall be offered by all certified schools shall include, but not be limited to, courses of procedural justice, arrest and use and control tactics, search and seizure, including temporary questioning, civil rights, human rights, human relations, cultural competency, including implicit bias and racial and ethnic sensitivity, criminal law, law of criminal procedure, constitutional and proper use of law enforcement authority, crisis intervention training, vehicle and traffic law including uniform and non discriminatory enforcement of the Illinois Vehicle Code, traffic control and crash investigation, techniques of obtaining physical evidence, court testimonies, statements, reports, firearms training, training in the use of electronic control devices, including the psychological and physiological effects of the use of those devices on humans, first aid (including cardiopulmonary resuscitation), training in the administration of opioid antagonists as defined in paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Section 5 23 of the Substance Use Disorder Act, handling of juvenile offenders, recognition of mental conditions and crises, including, but not limited to, the disease of addiction, which require immediate assistance and response and methods to safeguard and provide assistance to a person in need of mental treatment, recognition of abuse, neglect, financial exploitation, and self neglect of adults with~~

1 ~~disabilities and older adults, as defined in Section 2 of~~
2 ~~the Adult Protective Services Act, crimes against the~~
3 ~~elderly, law of evidence, the hazards of high-speed police~~
4 ~~vehicle chases with an emphasis on alternatives to the~~
5 ~~high speed chase, and physical training. The curriculum~~
6 ~~shall include a block of instruction addressing~~
7 ~~trauma informed programs, procedures, and practices meant~~
8 ~~to minimize traumatization of the victim. The curriculum~~
9 ~~shall include specific training in techniques for~~
10 ~~immediate response to and investigation of cases of~~
11 ~~domestic violence and of sexual assault of adults and~~
12 ~~children, including cultural perceptions and common myths~~
13 ~~of sexual assault and sexual abuse as well as interview~~
14 ~~techniques that are age sensitive and are trauma informed,~~
15 ~~victim centered, and victim sensitive. The curriculum~~
16 ~~shall include training in techniques designed to promote~~
17 ~~effective communication at the initial contact with crime~~
18 ~~victims and ways to comprehensively explain to victims and~~
19 ~~witnesses their rights under the Rights of Crime Victims~~
20 ~~and Witnesses Act and the Crime Victims Compensation Act.~~
21 ~~The curriculum shall also include training in effective~~
22 ~~recognition of and responses to stress, trauma, and~~
23 ~~post-traumatic stress experienced by law enforcement~~
24 ~~officers that is consistent with Section 25 of the~~
25 ~~Illinois Mental Health First Aid Training Act in a peer~~
26 ~~setting, including recognizing signs and symptoms of~~

1 ~~work-related cumulative stress, issues that may lead to~~
2 ~~suicide, and solutions for intervention with peer support~~
3 ~~resources. The curriculum shall include a block of~~
4 ~~instruction addressing the mandatory reporting~~
5 ~~requirements under the Abused and Neglected Child~~
6 ~~Reporting Act. The curriculum shall also include a block~~
7 ~~of instruction aimed at identifying and interacting with~~
8 ~~persons with autism and other developmental or physical~~
9 ~~disabilities, reducing barriers to reporting crimes~~
10 ~~against persons with autism, and addressing the unique~~
11 ~~challenges presented by cases involving victims or~~
12 ~~witnesses with autism and other developmental~~
13 ~~disabilities. The curriculum shall include training in the~~
14 ~~detection and investigation of all forms of human~~
15 ~~trafficking. The curriculum shall also include instruction~~
16 ~~in trauma informed responses designed to ensure the~~
17 ~~physical safety and well being of a child of an arrested~~
18 ~~parent or immediate family member; this instruction must~~
19 ~~include, but is not limited to: (1) understanding the~~
20 ~~trauma experienced by the child while maintaining the~~
21 ~~integrity of the arrest and safety of officers, suspects,~~
22 ~~and other involved individuals; (2) de-escalation tactics~~
23 ~~that would include the use of force when reasonably~~
24 ~~necessary; and (3) inquiring whether a child will require~~
25 ~~supervision and care. The curriculum for probationary law~~
26 ~~enforcement officers shall include: (1) at least 12 hours~~

1 ~~of hands-on, scenario-based role playing; (2) at least 6~~
2 ~~hours of instruction on use of force techniques, including~~
3 ~~the use of de-escalation techniques to prevent or reduce~~
4 ~~the need for force whenever safe and feasible; (3)~~
5 ~~specific training on officer safety techniques, including~~
6 ~~cover, concealment, and time; and (4) at least 6 hours of~~
7 ~~training focused on high risk traffic stops. The~~
8 ~~curriculum for permanent law enforcement officers shall~~
9 ~~include, but not be limited to: (1) refresher and~~
10 ~~in service training in any of the courses listed above in~~
11 ~~this subparagraph, (2) advanced courses in any of the~~
12 ~~subjects listed above in this subparagraph, (3) training~~
13 ~~for supervisory personnel, and (4) specialized training in~~
14 ~~subjects and fields to be selected by the board. The~~
15 ~~training in the use of electronic control devices shall be~~
16 ~~conducted for probationary law enforcement officers,~~
17 ~~including University police officers. The curriculum shall~~
18 ~~also include training on the use of a firearms restraining~~
19 ~~order by providing instruction on the process used to file~~
20 ~~a firearms restraining order and how to identify~~
21 ~~situations in which a firearms restraining order is~~
22 ~~appropriate.~~

23 ~~b. Minimum courses of study, attendance requirements~~
24 ~~and equipment requirements.~~

25 ~~c. Minimum requirements for instructors.~~

26 ~~d. Minimum basic training requirements, which a~~

1 ~~probationary law enforcement officer must satisfactorily~~
2 ~~complete before being eligible for permanent employment as~~
3 ~~a local law enforcement officer for a participating local~~
4 ~~governmental or State governmental agency. Those~~
5 ~~requirements shall include training in first aid~~
6 ~~(including cardiopulmonary resuscitation).~~

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

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

20 ~~A person hired to serve as a court security officer~~
21 ~~must obtain from the Board a certificate (i) attesting to~~
22 ~~the officer's successful completion of the training~~
23 ~~course; (ii) attesting to the officer's satisfactory~~
24 ~~completion of a training program of similar content and~~
25 ~~number of hours that has been found acceptable by the~~
26 ~~Board under the provisions of this Act; or (iii) attesting~~

1 ~~to the Board's determination that the training course is~~
2 ~~unnecessary because of the person's extensive prior law~~
3 ~~enforcement experience.~~

4 ~~Individuals who currently serve as court security~~
5 ~~officers shall be deemed qualified to continue to serve in~~
6 ~~that capacity so long as they are certified as provided by~~
7 ~~this Act within 24 months of June 1, 1997 (the effective~~
8 ~~date of Public Act 89-685). Failure to be so certified,~~
9 ~~absent a waiver from the Board, shall cause the officer to~~
10 ~~forfeit his or her position.~~

11 ~~All individuals hired as court security officers on or~~
12 ~~after June 1, 1997 (the effective date of Public Act~~
13 ~~89-685) shall be certified within 12 months of the date of~~
14 ~~their hire, unless a waiver has been obtained by the~~
15 ~~Board, or they shall forfeit their positions.~~

16 ~~The Sheriff's Merit Commission, if one exists, or the~~
17 ~~Sheriff's Office if there is no Sheriff's Merit~~
18 ~~Commission, shall maintain a list of all individuals who~~
19 ~~have filed applications to become court security officers~~
20 ~~and who meet the eligibility requirements established~~
21 ~~under this Act. Either the Sheriff's Merit Commission, or~~
22 ~~the Sheriff's Office if no Sheriff's Merit Commission~~
23 ~~exists, shall establish a schedule of reasonable intervals~~
24 ~~for verification of the applicants' qualifications under~~
25 ~~this Act and as established by the Board.~~

26 ~~g. Minimum in service training requirements, which a~~

1 ~~law enforcement officer must satisfactorily complete every~~
2 ~~3 years. Those requirements shall include constitutional~~
3 ~~and proper use of law enforcement authority; procedural~~
4 ~~justice; civil rights; human rights; reporting child abuse~~
5 ~~and neglect; autism informed law enforcement responses,~~
6 ~~techniques, and procedures; trauma informed programs,~~
7 ~~procedures, and practices meant to minimize traumatization~~
8 ~~of the victim; and cultural competency, including implicit~~
9 ~~bias and racial and ethnic sensitivity. These trainings~~
10 ~~shall consist of at least 30 hours of training every 3~~
11 ~~years.~~

12 ~~h. Minimum in-service training requirements, which a~~
13 ~~law enforcement officer must satisfactorily complete at~~
14 ~~least annually. Those requirements shall include law~~
15 ~~updates, emergency medical response training and~~
16 ~~certification, crisis intervention training, and officer~~
17 ~~wellness and mental health.~~

18 ~~i. Minimum in-service training requirements as set~~
19 ~~forth in Section 10.6.~~

20 ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the~~
21 ~~changes made to this Section by Public Act 101-652, Public Act~~
22 ~~102-28, and Public Act 102-694 take effect July 1, 2022.~~

23 (Source: P.A. 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-949, eff. 1-1-25;
24 104-84, eff. 1-1-26.)

25 (50 ILCS 705/7.2 new)

1 Sec. 7.2. Curriculum for probationary law enforcement
2 officers. The curriculum for probationary law enforcement
3 officers that is offered by all certified schools shall
4 include, but not be limited to, the following courses:

5 (1) Foundations of law enforcement. Training provided
6 under this paragraph shall include, but not be limited to,
7 training in:

8 (A) procedural justice; and

9 (B) cultural competency, including implicit bias
10 and racial and ethnic sensitivity.

11 (2) Human behaviors. Training provided under this
12 paragraph shall include, but not be limited to, training
13 in:

14 (A) human relations; and

15 (B) recognizing of mental conditions and crises,
16 including, but not limited to, the disease of
17 addiction, which require immediate assistance and
18 response, and methods to safeguard and provide
19 assistance to a person in need of mental treatment;

20 (C) recognizing of abuse, neglect, financial
21 exploitation, and self-neglect of adults with
22 disabilities and older adults, as defined in Section 2
23 of the Adult Protective Services Act;

24 (D) identifying and interacting with persons with
25 autism and other developmental or physical
26 disabilities, reducing barriers to reporting crimes

1 against persons with autism, and addressing the unique
2 challenges presented by cases involving victims or
3 witnesses with autism and other developmental
4 disabilities; and

5 (E) trauma-informed responses designed to ensure
6 the physical safety and well-being of a child of an
7 arrested parent or immediate family member, including,
8 but not limited to:

9 (i) understanding the trauma experienced by
10 the child while maintaining the integrity of the
11 arrest and safety of officers, suspects, and other
12 involved individuals;

13 (ii) de-escalation tactics that would include
14 the use of force when reasonably necessary; and

15 (iii) inquiring whether a child will require
16 supervision and care; and

17 (F) crimes against the elderly.

18 (3) Investigations. Training provided under this
19 paragraph shall include, but not be limited to, training
20 in:

21 (A) techniques for obtaining physical evidence;

22 (B) recording statements;

23 (C) drafting reports;

24 (D) techniques for immediate response to and
25 investigation of cases of domestic violence and of
26 sexual assault of adults and children, including

1 cultural perceptions and common myths of sexual
2 assault and sexual abuse, as well as interview
3 techniques that are age sensitive and are trauma
4 informed, victim centered, and victim sensitive;

5 (E) techniques designed to promote effective
6 communication at the initial contact with crime
7 victims and ways to comprehensively explain to victims
8 and witnesses their rights under the Rights of Crime
9 Victims and Witnesses Act and the Crime Victims
10 Compensation Act; and

11 (F) detection and investigation of all forms of
12 human trafficking.

13 (4) Fundamentals of criminal law. Training provided
14 under this paragraph shall include, but not be limited to,
15 training in:

16 (A) search and seizure, including temporary
17 questioning;

18 (B) civil rights;

19 (C) human rights;

20 (D) criminal law;

21 (E) criminal procedure;

22 (F) constitutional law and the proper use of law
23 enforcement authority;

24 (G) court testimonies;

25 (H) handling of juvenile offenders; and

26 (I) evidence.

1 (5) Law enforcement patrol. Training provided under
2 this paragraph shall include, but not be limited to,
3 training in:

4 (A) vehicle and traffic law, including uniform and
5 nondiscriminatory enforcement of the Illinois Vehicle
6 Code;

7 (B) traffic control and crash investigation;

8 (C) the hazards of high-speed police vehicle
9 chases with an emphasis on alternatives to the
10 high-speed chase;

11 (D) first aid, including cardiopulmonary
12 resuscitation;

13 (E) training in the administration of opioid
14 antagonists, as defined in paragraph (1) of subsection
15 (e) of Section 5-23 of the Substance Use Disorder Act;

16 (F) crisis intervention training;

17 (G) at least 6 hours of training focused on
18 high-risk traffic stops;

19 (H) at least 12 hours of hands-on, scenario-based
20 role-playing;

21 (I) training on the use of a firearms restraining
22 order by providing instruction on the process used to
23 file a firearms restraining order and how to identify
24 situations in which a firearms restraining order is
25 appropriate; and

26 (J) addressing the mandatory reporting

1 requirements under the Abused and Neglected Child
2 Reporting Act.

3 (6) Law enforcement officer tactics. Training provided
4 under this paragraph shall include, but not be limited to,
5 training in:

6 (A) arrest and the use and control tactics;

7 (B) firearms training;

8 (C) training in the use of electronic control
9 devices, including the psychological and physiological
10 effects of the use of those devices on humans;

11 (D) physical training;

12 (E) the use of electronic control devices;

13 (F) at least 6 hours of instruction on use of force
14 techniques, including the use of de-escalation
15 techniques to prevent or reduce the need for force
16 whenever safe and feasible; and

17 (G) specific training on officer safety
18 techniques, including cover, concealment, and time.

19 (7) Officer wellness. Training provided under this
20 paragraph shall include, but not be limited to, training
21 in:

22 (A) effective recognition of and responses to
23 stress, trauma, and post-traumatic stress experienced
24 by police officers; and

25 (B) effective recognition of and responses to
26 stress, trauma, and post-traumatic stress experienced

1 by law enforcement officers that is consistent with
2 Section 25 of the Illinois Mental Health First Aid
3 Training Act in a peer setting, including recognizing
4 signs and symptoms of work-related cumulative stress,
5 issues that may lead to suicide, and solutions for
6 intervention with peer support resources.

7 (50 ILCS 705/7.3 new)

8 Sec. 7.3. Minimum basic training requirements of a
9 probationary county corrections officer. The Board shall
10 establish minimum basic training requirements that a
11 probationary county corrections officer must satisfactorily
12 complete before the probationary county corrections officer is
13 eligible for permanent employment as a county corrections
14 officer for a participating local governmental agency.

15 (50 ILCS 705/7.4 new)

16 Sec. 7.4. Minimum basic training requirements of a
17 probationary court security officer. The Board shall establish
18 minimum basic training requirements that a probationary court
19 security officer must satisfactorily complete before the
20 probationary court security officer is eligible for permanent
21 employment as a court security officer for a participating
22 local governmental agency. The Board shall establish training
23 requirements that it considers appropriate for court security
24 officers and certify schools to conduct that training.

1 (50 ILCS 705/7.7 new)

2 Sec. 7.7. In-service training requirements.

3 (a) The Board shall offer in-service courses for permanent
4 law enforcement officers that all law enforcement officers
5 must complete. The training shall include, but not be limited
6 to:

7 (1) refresher and in-service training in any of the
8 courses listed in Section 7.2;

9 (2) advanced courses in any of the subjects listed in
10 Section 7.2;

11 (3) training for supervisory personnel; and

12 (4) specialized training in subjects and fields to be
13 selected by the board.

14 (b) The Board shall adopt rules and minimum standards for
15 in-service training requirements that officers must complete
16 every 3 years. The training shall include at least 30 hours of
17 trainings in the following areas:

18 (1) use of force, specifically addressing policies and
19 laws regulating the use of force; tactics and skills;
20 de-escalation techniques; techniques to prevent or reduce
21 the need to use force or when force must be used; how to
22 use force that is objectively reasonable, necessary, and
23 proportional under the totality of the circumstances; and
24 ensure appropriate supervision and accountability. The
25 training under this paragraph shall include at least 12

1 hours of hands-on, scenario-based role-playing consisting
2 of:

3 (A) instruction on use of force techniques,
4 including the use of de-escalation techniques to
5 prevent or reduce the need for force whenever safe and
6 feasible;

7 (B) instruction on use of force techniques,
8 including the use of de-escalation techniques to
9 prevent or reduce the need for force whenever safe and
10 feasible;

11 (C) specific training on the law concerning stops,
12 searches, and the use of force under the Fourth
13 Amendment to the United States Constitution; and

14 (D) specific training on officer safety
15 techniques, including cover, concealment, and time;

16 (2) constitutional and proper use of law enforcement
17 authority training;

18 (3) procedural justice training;

19 (4) civil rights training;

20 (5) firearm restraining order training;

21 (6) psychology of domestic violence training;

22 (7) human rights training;

23 (8) reporting child abuse and neglect training;

24 (9) autism-informed law enforcement response training;

25 and

26 (10) cultural competency training, including implicit

1 bias and racial and ethnic sensitivity training.

2 (c) Annually, a law enforcement officer must
3 satisfactorily complete trainings in:

4 (1) law updates;

5 (2) firearm requalification;

6 (3) officer wellness and mental health;

7 (4) emergency medical response training; and

8 (5) crisis intervention training.

9 (50 ILCS 705/8.5 new)

10 Sec. 8.5. Court security officers.

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

20 Individuals appointed as court security officers on or
21 before June 1, 1997 shall be deemed qualified to continue to
22 serve as court security officers if they were certified as
23 provided by this Act on or before June 1, 1999. Failure to be
24 so certified, absent a waiver from the Board, shall cause the
25 officer to forfeit his or her position.

1 (b) All individuals hired as court security officers on or
2 after June 1, 1997 shall be certified within 12 months after
3 the date of their hire, unless a waiver has been obtained by
4 the Board, or they shall forfeit their positions.

5 (c) The Sheriff's Merit Commission, if one exists, or the
6 Sheriff's Office if there is no Sheriff's Merit Commission,
7 shall maintain a list of all individuals who have filed
8 applications to become court security officers and who meet
9 the eligibility requirements established under this Act.
10 Either the Sheriff's Merit Commission, or the Sheriff's Office
11 if no Sheriff's Merit Commission exists, shall establish a
12 schedule of reasonable intervals for verification of the
13 applicants' qualifications under this Act and as established
14 by the Board.

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3 50 ILCS 705/7

4 50 ILCS 705/7.2 new

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8 50 ILCS 705/8.5 new