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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3167

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3167 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Police Training Act is amended by
5 adding Section 3.2 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 705/3.2 new)

7 Sec. 3.2. Statewide Mental Health and Peer Support
8 Institute.

9 (a) Mental Health and Peer Support Institute. There is
10 created under the authority of the Board a Mental Health and
11 Peer Support Institute to develop, implement, review, and
12 revise programs for mental health and peer support education
13 for law enforcement, correctional, and court security officers
14 (certified officers).

15 (b) Advisory panel. The Institute shall be staffed and
16 operated by employees of the Board. The Institute shall create

1 a standing advisory panel, which shall be a part of the
2 Institute, and shall be composed of content experts that shall
3 consist of at least one of the following as appointed by the
4 Board Chairman, who should be representative of both rural and
5 urban settings that vary in size, location, resources, and
6 demographics:

7 (1) a law enforcement agency administrator with
8 experience operating a mental health response program;

9 (2) a representative of an officers' pension or
10 benefits organization;

11 (3) a certified Crisis Intervention Team officer, with
12 at least 5 years of experience;

13 (4) a representative of a National Alliance on Mental
14 Illness chapter based in Illinois;

15 (5) a licensed therapist or clinical social worker
16 with experience assisting law enforcement officers; and

17 (6) a representative of a police union.

18 The Chairman may appoint additional members to the
19 advisory panel. This panel shall meet periodically and report
20 regularly to the Board.

21 (c) Curriculum development. The Institute shall have the
22 following authorities and duties:

23 (1) review all stand-alone courses, blocks of
24 instruction, and student performance objectives for mental
25 health courses approved by the Board;

26 (2) establish or approve a course of instruction for

1 basic academies to introduce recruit officers to mental
2 health issues they could face throughout their career;

3 (3) establish or approve evidence based in-service
4 courses addressing personal mental health issues including
5 resilience training, trauma-based training, and training
6 for certified officer families;

7 (4) set standards for offering adult continuing
8 education in mental health for officers at various stages
9 of their careers;

10 (5) periodically coordinate with colleges and
11 universities to review best practices and produce research
12 on the trainings and their effectiveness; and

13 (6) create model policies for law enforcement and
14 correctional agencies related to mental health response
15 and peer support program development.

16 (d) Crisis Intervention Team coordination. The Institute
17 shall establish a statewide system to coordinate Crisis
18 Intervention Team programs and offer resources to certified
19 Crisis Intervention Team officers and their respective
20 agencies for responding to crisis intervention calls and
21 addressing critical incident stress management. The Institute
22 may develop a web portal, telephone line, or mobile
23 application accessible 24 hours a day for those involved with
24 crisis intervention response to coordinate services with an
25 established network of regional mental health providers. The
26 Institute shall organize professional development summits for

1 first responders, mental health providers, community
2 organizations, advocacy groups, trainers, agency program
3 administrators, and other content affiliates.

4 (e) Peer support. The Institute shall establish a peer
5 support network for certified officers that provides anonymous
6 services by licensed therapists with a strong understanding of
7 first responder challenges. This shall include access to a
8 network of professionals who offer treatment for trauma,
9 including PTSD, who have a strong working knowledge of the
10 challenges facing certified officers. The Institute may also
11 develop a web portal, telephone line, or mobile application
12 accessible 24 hours a day for those seeking a consultation.
13 The Board may retain the services of licensed therapists and
14 trained peer consultants on behalf of the Institute.

15 (f) Funding. The Institute shall explore areas and
16 opportunities for funding to support its operation and
17 administration of services. These shall include the
18 application for public and private grants and donations.
19 Administrative support for the Institute shall be provided by
20 the Board."