## **102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

## State of Illinois

# 2021 and 2022

#### HB4240

Introduced 1/5/2022, by Rep. Barbara Hernandez

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2605/2605-53

Amends the Illinois State Police Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that all public safety answering point telecommunicators and public safety telecommunicator supervisors shall complete (i) emergency mental health dispatching training for 9-1-1 dispatchers and (ii) training for interviewing 9-1-1 callers without unintentionally leading 9-1-1 callers to distort actual emergency situations.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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AN ACT concerning State government.

# Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois State Police Law of the Civil
Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section
2605-53 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2605/2605-53)

8 Sec. 2605-53. 9-1-1 system; sexual assault and sexual 9 abuse.

(a) The Office of the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator, in
 consultation with the Office of the Attorney General and the
 Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board, shall:

13 (1) develop comprehensive guidelines for 14 evidence-based, trauma-informed, victim-centered handling 15 of sexual assault or sexual abuse calls by Public Safety 16 Answering Point telecommunicators; and

17 (2) adopt rules and minimum standards for an 18 evidence-based, trauma-informed, victim-centered training 19 curriculum for handling of sexual assault or sexual abuse 20 calls for Public Safety Answering Point telecommunicators 21 ("PSAP").

(a-5) Within one year after <u>June 3, 2021 (the effective</u>
date of <u>Public Act 102-9</u>) this amendatory Act of the 102nd

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1 General Assembly, the Office of the Statewide 9-1-1
2 Administrator, in consultation with the Statewide 9-1-1
3 Advisory Board, shall:

(1) develop comprehensive guidelines for training on 4 5 emergency dispatch procedures, including, but not limited to, emergency medical dispatch, and the delivery of 9-1-1 6 7 services professionalism for public and safety 8 telecommunicators and public safety telecommunicator 9 supervisors; and

10 (2) adopt rules and minimum standards for continuing 11 education on emergency dispatch procedures, including, but 12 not limited to, emergency medical dispatch, and the delivery of 9-1-1 services and professionalism for public 13 14 safetv telecommunicators and public safetv 15 telecommunicator Supervisors.; and

16 (a-10) The Office of the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator may 17 as necessary establish by rule appropriate testing and 18 certification processes consistent with the training required 19 by this Section.

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(b) Training requirements:

(1) Newly hired PSAP telecommunicators must complete
the sexual assault and sexual abuse training curriculum
established in subsection (a) of this Section prior to
handling emergency calls.

(2) All existing PSAP telecommunicators shall complete
 the sexual assault and sexual abuse training curriculum

established in subsection (a) of this Section within 2
 years of January 1, 2017 (the effective date of <u>Public Act</u>
 99-801) this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly.

4 (3) Newly hired public safety telecommunicators shall
5 complete the emergency dispatch procedures training
6 curriculum established in subsection (a-5) of this Section
7 prior to independently handling emergency calls within one
8 year of the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator establishing the
9 required guidelines, rules, and standards.

10 (4) All public safety telecommunicators and public 11 safety telecommunicator supervisors who were not required to complete new hire training prior to handling emergency 12 calls, must either demonstrate proficiency or complete the 13 training established in subsection (a-5) of this Section 14 within one year of the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator 15 16 establishing the required guidelines, rules, and standards. 17

(5) Upon completion of the training required in either
 paragraph (3), or (4), or (4.5) of this subsection (b),

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whichever is applicable, all public safety
 telecommunicators and public safety telecommunicator
 supervisors shall complete the continuing education
 training regarding the delivery of 9-1-1 services and
 professionalism biennially.

6 (c) The Illinois State Police may adopt rules for the 7 administration of this Section.

8 (Source: P.A. 102-9, eff. 6-3-21; revised 7-16-21.)