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H.B. No. 3675

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to required management training for certain prosecuting
3 attorneys.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 41, Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 41.016 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 41.016. TRAINING FOR CERTAIN PROSECUTORS. (a) A
8 district attorney or criminal district attorney who is elected or
9 appointed to serve a judicial district that includes a county with a
10 population of more than 850,000 shall complete, either in person or
11 online, a 10-hour training course on management responsibility,
12 resources, and methods not later than the first anniversary of the
13 date the attorney was first elected or appointed.

14 (b) The State Bar of Texas shall credit a district attorney
15 or criminal district attorney who completes a course under this
16 section with 10 continuing legal education hours.

17 (c) A district attorney or criminal district attorney who
18 fails to complete the training required by this section is
19 incompetent for purposes of removal under Chapter 87, Local
20 Government Code.

21 SECTION 2. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), the
22 changes in law made by this Act apply only to a district attorney or
23 criminal district attorney who is first elected or appointed on or
24 after the effective date of this Act.

1 (b) A district attorney or criminal district attorney who on
2 the effective date of this Act serves a judicial district that
3 includes a county with a population of more than 850,000 shall
4 complete the training required by Section 41.016, Government Code,
5 as added by this Act, not later than September 1, 2024.

6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.