

1-1 By: Driver (Senate Sponsor - Hegar) H.B. No. 486
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House March 19, 2007;
1-3 March 29, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Criminal Justice; May 10, 2007, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 10, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the continuing education requirements for chiefs of
1-9 police.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Sections 96.641(b) and (d), Education Code, are
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 (b) Each police chief must receive at least 40 hours of
1-14 continuing education provided by the institute under this section
1-15 each 24-month period. The Commission on Law Enforcement Officer
1-16 Standards and Education by rule shall establish a uniform 24-month
1-17 continuing education training period.

1-18 (d) A newly appointed or elected police chief shall complete
1-19 the initial training program for new chiefs not later than the
1-20 second anniversary of that individual's appointment or election as
1-21 chief. The initial training program for new chiefs is in addition
1-22 to the initial training and continuing education required by
1-23 Chapter 1701, Occupations Code [~~415, Government Code~~]. The
1-24 Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education by
1-25 rule shall establish that the first continuing education training
1-26 period for an individual under Subsection (b) begins on the first
1-27 day of the first uniform continuing education training period that
1-28 follows [~~The first 24-month period begins under Subsection (b) for~~
1-29 ~~an individual who completes the initial training program for new~~
1-30 ~~chiefs on the first anniversary of]~~ the date the individual
1-31 completed the initial training program.

1-32 SECTION 2. The Commission on Law Enforcement Officer
1-33 Standards and Education by rule shall provide an orderly transition
1-34 for chiefs of police to a uniform continuing education training
1-35 period under Section 96.641, Education Code, as amended by this
1-36 Act.

1-37 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-38 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-39 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-40 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-41 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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