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S.B. No. 233

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to training regarding interactions with law enforcement during traffic stops.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 1001, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 1001.109 to read as follows:

Sec. 1001.109. INFORMATION RELATING TO TRAFFIC STOPS. The commission by rule shall require that information relating to law enforcement procedures for traffic stops be included in the curriculum of each driver education course and driving safety course. The curriculum must include a demonstration of the proper actions to be taken during a traffic stop and information regarding appropriate interactions with law enforcement.

SECTION 2. Section 1701.253, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsection (n) to read as follows:

(n) As part of the minimum curriculum requirements, the commission shall establish a statewide education and training program on proper procedures for traffic stops, including information regarding the appropriate use of force, for officers licensed under this chapter. An officer shall complete a program established under this subsection not later than the second anniversary of the date the officer is licensed under this chapter or the date the officer applies for an intermediate proficiency certificate, whichever date is earlier.

1           SECTION 3. Not later than January 1, 2018, the Texas  
2 Commission on Law Enforcement shall establish the education and  
3 training program required by Section 1701.253(n), Occupations  
4 Code, as added by this Act.

5           SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.