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By:  West S.B. No. 999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the requirement that providers of active shooter training at public schools and institutions of higher education obtain a certificate issued by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter F, Chapter 1701, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 1701.2515 to read as follows:

Sec. 1701.2515.  CERTIFICATE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION. (a) A person may not provide active shooter training to students or employees at a public primary or secondary school or an institution of higher education as defined by Section 61.003, Education Code, unless the person is certified by the commission under this section to provide active shooter training.

(b)  The commission shall:

(1)  establish a certification program for providers of active shooter training; and

(2)  issue a certificate to a provider who completes the program established under Subdivision (1).

(c)  The commission shall adopt rules for the renewal of a certificate issued under this section. The commission may require continuing education for the renewal of the certificate.

SECTION 2.  Not later than September 1, 2024, the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement shall establish the certification program required by Section 1701.2515, Occupations Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3.  Section 1701.2515(a), Occupations Code, as added by this Act, applies only to active shooter training provided on or after December 1, 2024.

SECTION 4.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.