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H.B. No. 4777

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the model training curriculum for school district peace officers and school resource officers.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1701.262(c), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The curriculum developed under this section must incorporate learning objectives regarding:

- (1) child and adolescent development and psychology;
- (2) positive behavioral interventions and supports, conflict resolution techniques, and restorative justice techniques;
- (3) de-escalation techniques and techniques for limiting the use of force, including the use of physical, mechanical, and chemical restraints;
- (4) the mental and behavioral health needs of children with disabilities or special needs; ~~and~~
- (5) mental health crisis intervention; and
- (6) the effects of mental health conditions, including grief and trauma, on student behavior and the ways in which using evidence-based, grief-informed, and trauma-informed strategies support a safe school environment and protect the mental health of students affected by grief and trauma.

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date

1 of this Act, the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement shall amend the  
2 model training curriculum as necessary to implement Section  
3 [1701.262\(c\)](#), Occupations Code, as amended by this Act.

4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
6 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.