

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. Section 37.0812, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) A school district may not contract for the provision of active shooter response training under this section unless the training provider is certified under Section 1701.2515, Occupations Code, to provide the training.

SECTION 2. Subchapter E, Chapter 51, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 51.221 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.221. ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING PROVIDERS. An institution of higher education, as defined by Section 61.003, may not contract for the provision of active shooter training for peace officers commissioned under this subchapter unless the training provider is certified under Section 1701.2515, Occupations Code, to provide the training.

SECTION 3. 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

1 EDUCATION. (a) In this section, "institution of higher education"
2 has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003, Education Code.

3 (b) An individual or a legal entity may not provide active
4 shooter training to peace officers of students or employees at a
5 public primary or secondary school or an institution of higher
6 education unless:

7 (1) the individual providing the instruction is
8 certified by the commission under this section to provide the
9 training; and

10 (2) if the training is provided by a legal entity, both
11 the legal entity and the individual providing the instruction on
12 behalf of the legal entity are certified by the commission under
13 this section to provide the training.

14 (c) The commission shall:

15 (1) establish a certification program for providers of
16 active shooter training, including for individuals and legal
17 entities; and

18 (2) issue a certificate to a provider who meets the
19 qualifications of the program established under Subdivision (1).

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

23 SECTION 4. Not later than September 1, 2024, the Texas
24 Commission on Law Enforcement shall establish the certification
25 program required by Section 1701.2515, Occupations Code, as added
26 by this Act.

27 SECTION 5. Sections 37.0812(c) and 51.221, Education Code,

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1 as added by this Act, and Section 1701.2515(b), Occupations Code,
2 as added by this Act, apply only to active shooter training provided
3 on or after December 1, 2024.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 999 passed the Senate on April 20, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 26, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 999 passed the House, with amendment, on May 24, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 131, Nays 12, one present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor