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Bill No. CS/HB 507

Amendment No. ____ (for drafter's use only)

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Representative(s) Rubio offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 25, between lines 2 and 3, of the bill

insert:

Section 17. Subsection (4) is added to section 401.2715, Florida Statutes, to read:

401.2715 Recertification training of emergency medical technicians and paramedics.--

(4) Any certified emergency medical technician or paramedic may, as a condition of recertification, complete up to 8 hours of training to respond to terrorism, as defined in s. 775.30, and such hours completed may be substituted on an hour-for-hour basis for any other areas of training required for recertification. The department may adopt rules necessary to administer this subsection.

Section 18. Subsection (1) of section 633.35, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

633.35 Firefighter training and certification.--

(1) The division shall establish a firefighter

1 training program of not less than 360 hours, administered by
 2 such agencies and institutions as it approves for the purpose
 3 of providing basic employment training for firefighters. Any
 4 firefighter may, as a condition of certification, complete up
 5 to 8 hours of training to respond to terrorism, as defined in
 6 s. 775.30, and such hours completed may be substituted on an
 7 hour-for-hour basis for any other areas of training required
 8 for certification. The division may adopt rules necessary to
 9 administer this subsection. Nothing herein shall require a
 10 public employer to pay the cost of such training.

11 Section 19. Subsection (1) of section 943.135, Florida
 12 Statutes, is amended to read:

13 943.135 Requirements for continued employment.--

14 (1) The commission shall, by rule, adopt a program
 15 that requires all officers, as a condition of continued
 16 employment or appointment as officers, to receive periodic
 17 commission-approved continuing training or education. Such
 18 continuing training or education shall be required at the rate
 19 of 40 hours every 4 years, up to 8 hours of which may consist
 20 of training to respond to terrorism as defined in s. 775.30.

21 No officer shall be denied a reasonable opportunity by the
 22 employing agency to comply with this section. The employing
 23 agency must document that the continuing training or education
 24 is job-related and consistent with the needs of the employing
 25 agency. The employing agency must maintain and submit, or
 26 electronically transmit, the documentation to the commission,
 27 in a format approved by the commission. The rule shall also
 28 provide:

29 (a) Assistance to an employing agency in identifying
 30 each affected officer, the date of his or her employment or
 31 appointment, and his or her most recent date for successful

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1 completion of continuing training or education;

2 (b) A procedure for reactivation of the certification
3 of an officer who is not in compliance with this section; and

4 (c) A remediation program supervised by the training
5 center director within the geographic area for any officer who
6 is attempting to comply with the provisions of this subsection
7 and in whom learning disabilities are identified. The officer
8 shall be assigned nonofficer duties, without loss of employee
9 benefits, and the program shall not exceed 90 days.

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13 And the title is amended as follows:

14 On page 3, line 2, after the semicolon,

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16 insert:

17 amending ss. 401.2715, 633.35, and 943.135,
18 F.S.; authorizing certain substitution of
19 terrorism response training for other training
20 required for recertification of emergency
21 medical technicians and paramedics,
22 certification of firefighters, and continued
23 employment or appointment of law enforcement
24 officers, correctional officers, and
25 correctional probation officers; authorizing
26 rulemaking;

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