

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to 911 public safety
 3 telecommunicators; amending s. 112.1815, F.S.;
 4 revising the definition of the term "first responder"
 5 to include 911 public safety telecommunicators;
 6 amending s. 401.465, F.S.; revising the criteria and
 7 number of hours of training required for 911 public
 8 safety telecommunicator certification; providing an
 9 effective date.

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 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 13 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 112.1815, Florida
 14 Statutes, is amended to read:

15 112.1815 Firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical
 16 technicians, ~~and~~ law enforcement officers, and 911 public safety
 17 telecommunicators; special provisions for employment-related
 18 accidents and injuries.—

19 (1) The term "first responder" as used in this section
 20 means a law enforcement officer as defined in s. 943.10, a
 21 firefighter as defined in s. 633.102, ~~or~~ an emergency medical
 22 technician or paramedic as defined in s. 401.23, or a 911 public
 23 safety telecommunicator as defined in s. 401.465 employed by
 24 state or local government. A volunteer law enforcement officer,
 25 firefighter, ~~or~~ emergency medical technician or paramedic, or

26 | 911 public safety telecommunicator engaged by the state or a
 27 | local government is also considered a first responder of the
 28 | state or local government for purposes of this section.

29 | Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section
 30 | 401.465, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

31 | 401.465 911 public safety telecommunicator certification.—

32 | (1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

33 | (d) "Public safety telecommunication training program"
 34 | means a 911 emergency public safety telecommunication training
 35 | program that the department determines to be equivalent to the
 36 | public safety telecommunication training program curriculum
 37 | framework developed by the Department of Education and consists
 38 | of not less than 238 ~~232~~ hours, of which at least 6 hours must
 39 | be telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation training.

40 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.