

By the Committees on Fiscal Policy; and Criminal Justice; and  
Senators Burgess and Perry

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1 A bill to be entitled  
2 An act relating to Alzheimer's disease and related  
3 dementia training for law enforcement and correctional  
4 officers; creating s. 943.17299, F.S.; requiring the  
5 Department of Law Enforcement to establish an online,  
6 continued employment training component relating to  
7 Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia;  
8 requiring that the training component be developed  
9 with the Department of Elder Affairs; specifying  
10 instruction requirements for the training component;  
11 authorizing the completion of such training to count  
12 toward a certain requirement; providing an effective  
13 date.

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

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17 Section 1. Section 943.17299, Florida Statutes, is created  
18 to read:

19 943.17299 Continued employment training relating to  
20 Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.—The  
21 department shall establish an online continued employment  
22 training component relating to Alzheimer's disease and related  
23 forms of dementia. The training component must be developed in  
24 consultation with the Department of Elder Affairs and must  
25 include, but need not be limited to, instruction on interacting  
26 with persons with Alzheimer's disease or a related form of  
27 dementia, including instruction on techniques for recognizing  
28 behavioral symptoms and characteristics, effective  
29 communication, employing the use of alternatives to physical

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30 restraints, and identifying signs of abuse, neglect, or  
31 exploitation. Completion of the training component may count  
32 toward the 40 hours of instruction for continued employment or  
33 appointment as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer,  
34 or correctional probation officer required under s. 943.135.

35 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2024.