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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
02/23/2024	.	
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The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Collins) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 37 - 74
and insert:
must include in-person instruction for initial certification and
online instruction for continued employment training in the
techniques and procedures described in this subsection:

(a) The nature and manifestation of autism spectrum
disorders.

(b) Appropriate techniques for interviewing or



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11 interrogating an individual with autism spectrum disorder,
12 including techniques to ensure the legality of statements made
13 by the individual and techniques used to protect the rights of
14 the individual.

15 (c) Techniques for locating an individual with autism
16 spectrum disorder who runs away and is in danger and for
17 returning that individual while causing as little stress as
18 possible to the individual.

19 (d) Techniques for recognizing the agency of an individual
20 with autism spectrum disorder while identifying potential
21 abusive or coercive situations.

22 (e) Techniques for deescalating a potentially dangerous
23 situation to maximize the safety of both the officer and the
24 individual with autism spectrum disorder.

25 (f) Techniques for differentiating an individual with
26 autism spectrum disorder from an individual who is belligerent,
27 uncooperative, or otherwise displaying traits similar to the
28 characteristics of an individual with autism spectrum disorder
29 and understanding the law as it relates to the use of the Baker
30 Act against an individual with autism spectrum disorder.

31 (g) Procedures to identify and address challenges related
32 to the safety and well-being of individuals with autism spectrum
33 disorder in a correctional facility.

34 (h) The impact of interaction with officers on individuals
35 with autism spectrum disorder.

36 (4) All recruits must receive the employment training
37 component relating to individuals with autism spectrum disorder.
38 Such training component may be taught as part of other relevant
39 components of the training.



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40 (5) The commission shall by rule require that each officer
41 receive instruction in the techniques and procedures described
42 in subsection (3) as part of basic recruit training or as part
43 of the required instruction for continued employment or
44 appointment as an officer.

45 (a) By July 1, 2026, each basic skills course required for
46 a law enforcement, correctional, and correctional probation
47 officer to obtain initial certification, as required under s.
48 943.13(9), must incorporate such training.

49 (b) By July 1, 2028, each law enforcement, correctional,
50 and correctional probation officer must successfully complete
51 such training as required under s. 943.131(4) (a), or as part of
52 continued training or education required under s. 943.135(1). If
53 an officer fails to complete the training required under this
54 subsection, his or her certification must be placed on inactive
55 status until the officer's employing agency notifies the
56 commission that he or she has completed the training.

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58 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

59 And the title is amended as follows:

60 Delete lines 8 - 9

61 and insert:

62 Training Commission to adopt specified rules requiring
63 such training as part of basic recruit training or as
64 part of the required instruction for continued
65 employment or appointment as