2021 SENATE BILL 471


AN ACT to create 165.85 (4) (a) 7. d. and 165.85 (4) (em) of the statutes; relating to: crisis training for law enforcement officers.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, Wisconsin law enforcement officers, other than sheriffs, are required to complete a preparatory training program consisting of 600 hours of training, and recertification training consisting of 24 hours of training per year. As part of ongoing recertification training, an officer must complete at least four hours of police pursuit training biennially, and an annual handgun operation qualification course. This bill requires that each Wisconsin law enforcement officer also complete as part of his or her recertification training at least four hours of crisis management training on a biennial basis, which would count towards the officer's annual 24-hour recertification training requirement.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 165.85 (4) (a) 7. d. of the statutes is created to read:

165.85 (4) (a) 7. d. Each officer who is subject to this subdivision shall biennially complete at least 4 hours of training from curricula based upon model
standards promulgated by the board under par. (em). Hours of training completed under this subd. 7. d. shall count toward the hours of training required under subd. 7. a.

**SECTION 2.** 165.85 (4) (em) of the statutes is created to read:

165.85 (4) (em) *Crisis management.* The board shall establish criteria for crisis management training. Notwithstanding s. 227.10 (1), the criteria need not be promulgated as rules under ch. 227 and shall do all of the following:

1. Establish model standards that could be used by any law enforcement agency to show crisis management proficiency.

2. Establish the preparatory program and annual recertification training curricula required under par. (a) relating to an officer’s ability to respond to crisis situations.

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