

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 84

An act relating to law enforcement; amending s. 943.1758, F.S.; providing that instruction in interpersonal skills relating to diverse populations shall consist of a module developed by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission on the topic of discriminatory profiling; amending ss. 30.15 and 166.0493, F.S.; requiring sheriffs and municipal law enforcement agencies to incorporate anti-racial or other antidiscriminatory profiling policies into their policies and practices; providing guidelines and requirements for such policies; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 943.1758, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

943.1758 Curriculum revision for diverse populations; skills training.—

(1) The Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission shall revise its standards and training for basic recruits and its requirements for continued employment by integrating instructions on interpersonal skills relating to diverse populations into the criminal justice standards and training curriculum. The curriculum shall include standardized proficiency instruction relating to high-risk and critical tasks which include, but are not limited to, stops, use of force and domination, and other areas of interaction between officers and members of diverse populations.

(2) The commission shall develop and implement, as part of its instructor training programs, standardized instruction in the subject of interpersonal skills relating to diverse populations.

(3) Culturally sensitive lesson plans, up-to-date videotapes, and other demonstrative aids developed for use in diverse population-related training shall be used as instructional materials.

(4) By October 1, 2001, the instruction in the subject of interpersonal skills relating to diverse populations shall consist of a module developed by the commission on the topic of discriminatory profiling.

Section 2. Subsection (3) is added to section 30.15, Florida Statutes, to read:

30.15 Powers, duties, and obligations.—

(3) On or before January 1, 2002, every sheriff shall incorporate an anti-racial or other antidiscriminatory profiling policy into the sheriff's policies and practices, utilizing the Florida Police Chiefs Association Model Policy as a guide. Antiprofiling policies shall include the elements of definitions, traffic stop procedures, community education and awareness efforts, and policies for the handling of complaints from the public.

Section 3. Section 166.0493, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

166.0493 Powers, duties, and obligations of municipal law enforcement agencies.—On or before January 1, 2002, every municipal law enforcement agency shall incorporate an antiracial or other antidiscriminatory profiling policy into the agency's policies and practices, utilizing the Florida Police Chiefs Association Model Policy as a guide. Antiprofiling policies shall include the elements of definitions, traffic stop procedures, community education and awareness efforts, and policies for the handling of complaints from the public.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 19, 2001.

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