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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2198

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REQUIRE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO  
9 COMPLETE CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING RELATING  
10 TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN A LAW ENFORCEMENT  
11 CONTEXT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

14 TO REQUIRE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO  
15 COMPLETE CONTINUING EDUCATION AND  
16 TRAINING RELATING TO PERSONS WITH  
17 DISABILITIES IN A LAW ENFORCEMENT  
18 CONTEXT.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1 is amended  
25 to add a new section to read as follows:

26 12-9-116. Persons with disabilities training.

27 (a)(1) In accordance with the certification requirements of the  
28 Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training for law  
29 enforcement officers, all law enforcement officers in the state shall  
30 complete additional continuing education and training as needed relating to  
31 persons with disabilities in a law enforcement context.

32 (2) Practicum training shall also be sufficient for the  
33 requirement under subdivision (a)(1) of this section.

34 (b) Training under subsection (a) of this section shall include  
35 without limitation:

36 (1) The dynamics of relating to a person with a disability;



- 1                   (2) Interview techniques;
- 2                   (3) Available supportive services; and
- 3                   (4) Pro-arrest guidelines and drawbacks of dual arrest and
- 4 practices to promote the safety of law enforcement officers.

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