

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Representative Roberts**

A Bill

ACT 110 OF 1993
HOUSE BILL 1040

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 **"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED 12-9-104**
9 **TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON LAW**
10 **ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING TO INCLUDE**
11 **RACE RELATIONS AND SENSITIVITY IN THE CURRICULUM**
12 **FOR PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER**
13 **PURPOSES."**

Subtitle

16 **"AN ACT TO REQUIRE RACE RELATIONS IN THE**
17 **CURRICULUM FOR PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICERS."**

19 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:**

21 **SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated 12-9-104 is amended to read as follows:**

22 **"12-9-104. Commission's powers generally.**

23 **In addition to powers conferred upon the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement**
24 **Standards and Training elsewhere in this subchapter, the commission shall have power to:**

25 **(1) Promulgate rules and regulations for the administration of this subchapter. The**
26 **rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and**
27 **Training shall not go into full force and effect until the commission seeks the advice of the**
28 **Arkansas Legislative Council and the Joint Interim Committee on Public Health, Welfare,**
29 **and Labor;**

30 **(2) Require the submission of reports and information by police departments within**
31 **this state;**

32 **(3) Establish minimum selection and training standards for admission to employment**
33 **as a law enforcement officer. The standards may take into account different requirements for**
34 **urban and rural areas, full-time and part-time employment, and specialized police personnel.**
35 **However, the minimum selection and training standards for admission to employment as a law**
36 **enforcement officer shall not apply to volunteer police auxiliary officers, to volunteer officers of**

1 **sheriffs' mounted patrols, and to honorary police officer commissions issued by appropriate**
2 **police authority;**

3 **(4) Establish minimum curriculum requirements for preparatory, in-service, and**
4 **advanced courses and programs of schools operated by or for the state and political**
5 **subdivisions for the specific purpose of training recruits for law enforcement officers;**

6 **(5) Consult and cooperate with counties, municipalities, agencies of this state, other**
7 **governmental agencies, and with universities, colleges, junior colleges, community colleges, and**
8 **other institutions or organizations concerning the development of police training schools and**
9 **programs or courses of instruction;**

10 **(6) Approve institutions and facilities to be used by or for the state or any political**
11 **subdivision thereof for the specific purpose of training law enforcement officers and recruits;**

12 **(7) Adopt rules and minimum standards for schools which shall include, but not be**
13 **limited to, the following:**

14 **(A)(i) The curriculum for probationary police officers which shall be offered by**
15 **all certified schools shall include, but shall not be limited to, courses on arrest, search and**
16 **seizure, civil rights, human relations, race relations and sensitivity, criminal law, law of**
17 **criminal procedure, vehicle and traffic law, traffic control, and accident investigation,**
18 **techniques of obtaining physical evidence, court testimonies, statements, reports, firearms**
19 **training, first aid, handling of juvenile offenders, recognition of mental conditions which**
20 **require immediate assistance and methods to safeguard and provide assistance to a person in**
21 **need of mental treatment, law of evidence, and physical training.**

22 **(ii) The curriculum for permanent police officers shall include, but shall**
23 **not be limited to, refresher and in-service training in any of the courses listed above in this**
24 **subdivision, advance courses in any of the subjects listed above in this subdivision, training for**
25 **supervisory personnel, and specialized training in subjects and fields to be selected by the**
26 **board;**

27 **(B) Minimum courses of study, attendance requirements, and equipment**
28 **requirements;**

29 **(C) Minimum requirements for instructors;**

30 **(D) Minimum basic training requirements which a probationary police officer**
31 **must satisfactorily complete before being eligible for permanent employment as a law**
32 **enforcement officer.**

33 **(8) Make and encourage studies of any aspect of police administration;**

34 **(9) Conduct and stimulate research by public and private agencies designed to improve**
35 **police administration and law enforcement;**

- 1 **(10) Make recommendations concerning matters within its purview pursuant to this**
- 2 **subchapter;**
- 3 **(11) Make evaluations as may be necessary to determine if governmental units are**
- 4 **complying with the provisions of this subchapter;**
- 5 **(12) Adopt and amend bylaws, consistent with law, for its internal management and**
- 6 **control;**
- 7 **(13) Enter into contracts or do such things as may be necessary and incidental to the**
- 8 **administration of this subchapter."**

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10 **SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are**

11 **amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision**

12 **Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.**

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14 **SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or**

15 **circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of**

16 **the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end**

17 **the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.**

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19 **SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.**

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21 **APPROVED: 02/11/93**

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