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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 new law enforcement officers in the state shall
30 complete at least six (6) hours of training relating to persons with
31 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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