1   State of Arkansas   *As Engrossed: H3/18/11*

2   88th General Assembly   A Bill

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5   By: Representative T. Steele

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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

15   TO REQUIRE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO

16   COMPLETE CONTINUING EDUCATION AND

17   TRAINING RELATING TO PERSONS WITH

18   DISABILITIES IN A LAW ENFORCEMENT

19   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 annual continuing education of* at least six (6) hours of training

31   relating to 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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6   /s/T. Steele

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