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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1381

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT REQUIRING TRAINING OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS  
9 IN THE IDENTIFICATION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE  
10 OVERDOSE AND THE ROLE OF NALOXONE; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1, is amended  
24 to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 12-9-122. Controlled substance overdose identification training.

26 (a) As used in this section, "naloxone" means a drug that is an  
27 analgesic antagonist used in the reversal of acute respiratory depression  
28 caused by opioid use.

29 (b)(1) The Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and  
30 Training in conjunction with the Arkansas Drug Director and the Criminal  
31 Justice Institute shall develop a curriculum for law enforcement training  
32 relating to identifying the signs that a person is experiencing an overdose  
33 of a controlled substance and the ways in which a law enforcement officer can  
34 safely assist the person who has overdosed.

35 (2) A curriculum that is developed under subdivision (b)(1) of  
36 this section and certified by the commission shall be delivered to a student



1 attending a basic law enforcement training course certified by the  
2 commission.

3 (c) Training under subsection (b) of this section shall include  
4 without limitation:

5 (1) The signs and symptoms of an overdose associated with the  
6 use of a controlled substance, including opioids;

7 (2) First-responder treatment and triage for a controlled  
8 substance overdose situation;

9 (3) First-responder safety considerations in a potential or  
10 actual controlled substance overdose situation; and

11 (4) An overview of the role of naloxone in certain opioid  
12 overdose situations.

13 (d) All law enforcement agencies are encouraged to develop a naloxone  
14 program by seeking assistance from the Arkansas Drug Director's office or the  
15 Criminal Justice Institute, or both.

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