

House Bill 2750

Sponsored by Representatives MARSH, NOBLE, SPRENGER, PILUSO, Senators PROZANSKI, WINTERS; Representatives BARKER, HERNANDEZ, POWER, SALINAS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMSON, Senator TAYLOR (at the request of Oregon Association Chiefs of Police, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Department of Justice to establish program for awarding grants to law enforcement agencies and local governments for training of groups and agencies that interact with persons who have experienced trauma. Directs department to develop model training program that takes into account effects of trauma and that has objective of minimizing further trauma.

Directs Department of Public Safety Standards and Training, in consultation with Department of Justice, to develop best practices for law enforcement agencies when interacting with persons who have experienced trauma that take into account effects of trauma and that have objective of minimizing further trauma. Requires law enforcement agencies to adopt appropriate best practice policies by date specified by Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.

Directs Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to review and update training consistent with Department of Justice model training program for law enforcement personnel in training academy.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Justice for purpose of awarding training grants.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to interactions with persons who have experienced trauma; and prescribing an effective
3 date.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Justice shall establish a program for awarding grants**
6 **to law enforcement agencies and local governments to fund training for groups and agencies**
7 **that interact with persons who have experienced trauma.**

8 **(2) A law enforcement agency or local government may apply for a grant under this**
9 **section to fund training for law enforcement agencies, district attorneys, sexual assault**
10 **nurse examiners, emergency communications workers, victim advocates or any other group**
11 **or agency the law enforcement agency or local government determines appropriate for the**
12 **training. The application may request funding for an established training program provided**
13 **by an outside entity, or for the development of a training program within the group or**
14 **agency or in cooperation with other groups or agencies.**

15 **(3) The department shall by rule establish the application process and eligibility criteria**
16 **for the grant program. At a minimum, the training program for which a law enforcement**
17 **agency or local government requests funding must be consistent with the model training**
18 **program described in subsection (5) of this section.**

19 **(4) The department shall by rule establish the process of awarding grants under this**
20 **section. No later than January 1, 2021, the department shall award grants in accordance with**
21 **the rules of the program. When awarding grants under this section, the department shall**
22 **consider the community partnerships of the group or agency for which the law enforcement**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 agency or local government seeks funding.

2 (5) No later than January 1, 2020, the department shall develop a model training program
3 for groups and agencies that interact with persons who have experienced trauma. The model
4 training program must, at a minimum:

5 (a) Be research-based and take into account the psychological and neurological effects
6 of trauma;

7 (b) Utilize best practices when recommending techniques for interacting with persons
8 who have experienced trauma; and

9 (c) Have the objective of minimizing further trauma.

10 (6) The department shall by rule establish outcome measures to be used for evaluating
11 grant program performance.

12 SECTION 2. (1) No later than January 1, 2020, the Department of Public Safety Standards
13 and Training, in consultation with the Department of Justice, shall develop best practices for
14 law enforcement agencies when interacting with persons who have experienced trauma.

15 (2)(a) The best practices developed under this section must offer alternative options for
16 law enforcement agencies of varying size and resource capacity.

17 (b) The best practices developed under this section must, at a minimum:

18 (A) Be research-based and take into account the psychological and neurological effects
19 of trauma;

20 (B) Recommend techniques for interacting with persons who have experienced trauma;

21 (C) Have the objective of minimizing further trauma;

22 (D) Require law enforcement officers to consider the effects of trauma when working on
23 a case;

24 (E) Recommend techniques for interviewing persons who have experienced trauma; and

25 (F) Provide recommendations for writing reports based on interviews with persons who
26 have experienced trauma.

27 (3) Law enforcement agencies within this state shall adopt appropriate best practice
28 policies for interacting with persons who have experienced trauma no later than the date
29 established by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training by rule.

30 (4) The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training shall adopt rules to carry
31 out the provisions of this section.

32 SECTION 3. Beginning January 1, 2020, the Department of Public Safety Standards and
33 Training shall review and, if necessary, update training on interacting with persons who have
34 experienced trauma, consistent with the model training program developed by the Depart-
35 ment of Justice under section 1 of this 2019 Act, for all law enforcement personnel who enter
36 the training academy operated by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.

37 SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-
38 ated to the Department of Justice, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the Gen-
39 eral Fund, the amount of \$_____, which may be expended for the purposes described in
40 section 1 of this 2019 Act.

41 SECTION 5. This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2019
42 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.