

# An Act

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 88

By: McCortney of the Senate

and

Thomsen of the House

An Act relating to law enforcement training; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 3311.4, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 376, O.S.L. 2016 (70 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 3311.4), which relates to training requirements; modifying inclusions; making certain stipulations; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Peace officer training requirements

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 3311.4, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 376, O.S.L. 2016 (70 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 3311.4), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3311.4. A. Beginning January 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, every active full-time peace officer, certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) pursuant to Section 3311 of this title, shall attend and complete a minimum of twenty-five (25) hours of continuing law enforcement training accredited or provided by CLEET which shall include a mandatory two (2) hours on mental health issues. CLEET shall promulgate rules to enforce the provisions of this section and shall enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of classroom space, training, food, and lodging expenses as may be necessary for law enforcement officers attending such training in accordance with subsection B of Section 3311 of this title. Such training and seminars shall be conducted in all areas of this state at technology

center schools, institutions of higher education, or other approved sites.

B. Beginning January 1, 2017, and annually thereafter, every active reserve peace officer, certified by CLEET pursuant to Section 3311 of this title, shall attend and complete a minimum of eight (8) hours of continuing law enforcement training accredited or provided by CLEET which shall include a mandatory one (1) hour on mental health issues.

C. Every inactive full-time or reserve peace officer, certified by CLEET, shall be exempt from these requirements during the inactive status. Upon reentry to full-time active status, the peace officer shall be required to comply with subsection A of this section. If a full-time certified peace officer has been inactive for five (5) or more years, the officer must complete refresher training as prescribed by CLEET and which shall include a minimum of four (4) hours of mental health education and training, within one (1) year of employment. Upon reentry to active reserve status, the peace officer shall be required to comply with subsection B of this section. If a certified reserve officer has been inactive for five (5) or more years, the certified reserve officer shall complete a legal update as prescribed by CLEET. The Director of CLEET may waive these requirements based on review of all records of employment and training.

D. Every tribal officer who is commissioned by an Oklahoma law enforcement agency pursuant to a cross-deputization agreement with the State of Oklahoma or any political subdivision of the State of Oklahoma pursuant to the provisions of Section 1221 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall comply with the provisions of this section.

E. Any active full-time or reserve certified peace officer, or CLEET-certified cross-deputized tribal officer who fails to meet the annual training requirements specified in this section, shall be subject to having the certification of the peace officer suspended, after the peace officer and the employer have been given written notice of noncompliance and a reasonable time, as defined by the Council, to comply with the provisions of this section. A peace officer shall not be employed in the capacity of a peace officer during any period of suspension. The suspension period shall be for

a period of time until the officer files a statement attesting to full compliance with the provisions of this section. Suspension of peace officer certification shall be reported to the District Attorney for the jurisdiction in which the officer is employed, the liability insurance company of the law enforcement agency that employed the peace officer, the chief elected official of the governing body of the law enforcement agency and the chief law enforcement officer of the law enforcement agency. Any officer whose certification is suspended pursuant to this section may request a hearing with CLEET. Such hearings shall be governed by the Administrative Procedures Act except that the affected officer has the burden to show CLEET why CLEET should not have the certification of the officer suspended.

F. All certified, active full-time or reserve peace officers employed, commissioned or appointed for a period of ninety (90) days in a calendar year, who become inactive prior to the end of a calendar year, are responsible for meeting mandatory continuing education requirements as set forth in this section upon return to active full-time or reserve peace officer status within sixty (60) days of the date of return to employment, commission or appointment. Failure to complete the mandatory continuing education within sixty (60) days may result in disciplinary action as set forth in CLEET Rules at OAC 390:2. Full-time or reserve certified peace officers who return to active status within the calendar year they become inactive must complete the annual mandatory continuing education requirements outlined in this section within the remaining portion of the calendar year.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

Passed the Senate the 27th day of February, 2017.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 6th day of April, 2017.

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