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**Bill Analysis**

SB 1596 expands the term “school officer” as it relates to the School Resource Officer Program. In addition to being a law enforcement officer, school officers may complete basic peace officer academy training as well as receive training in school-based law enforcement and crisis response. Alternatively, a school officer may complete 80 hours of firearm instruction offered by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET). Such training must include no more or less than 10%-20% rounds fired than what is associated with CLEET training. Participants must have an 85% pass rate to qualify. In addition to CLEET training, school officers must have 16 hours of instruction in National Rifle Association Precision Pistol or equivalent training, 8 hours of discretionary shooting instruction using state-of-the-art simulator exercises, 16 hours of instruction in active shooter or assailant scenarios, 8 hours of instruction in defensive tactics, 4 hours of instruction in legal issues, and 4 hours of mental health awareness training related to working with children and students.

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