A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO POLICE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 52D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"§52D- Police officers; training; persons with mental
5	disabilities; crisis intervention. (a) Each police commission
6	established pursuant to section 52D-1 shall ensure that every
7	full-time police officer receives crisis intervention training
8	relating to law enforcement interaction with persons with mental
9	disabilities. The training shall include, at a minimum, eight
10	hours of core instruction in the following:
11	(1) The causes and nature of mental illnesses and
12	developmental disabilities;
13	(2) How to identify indicators of mental disability and
14	how to respond appropriately in a variety of common
15	situations;

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1	(3)	Conflict resolution and de-escalation techniques for
2		potentially dangerous situations involving persons
3		with mental disabilities;
4	(4)	Appropriate language usage when interacting with
5		persons with mental disabilities;
6	<u>(5)</u>	Alternatives to lethal force when interacting with
7		potentially dangerous persons with mental
8		disabilities;
9	<u>(6)</u>	Community and state resources available to serve
10		persons with mental disabilities and how these
11		resources can be best utilized by law enforcement to
12		benefit persons with mental disabilities; and
13	(7)	The fact that a crime committed because of an actual
14		or perceived disability of the victim is punishable by
15		an extended term of imprisonment pursuant to section
16		706-662(6)(b).
17	(b)	Each officer who completes the training required by
18	this sect	ion shall obtain written proof of completion of the
19	training	pursuant to procedures adopted by the applicable police
20	commissio	n.

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1	(c) The training required by this section shall be
2	completed no later than January 1, 2018."
3	SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
4	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
5	INTRODUCED BY: AMSonh.

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Report Title:

Police; Persons with Mental Disabilities; Crisis Intervention; Training

Description:

Requires that all police officers receive crisis intervention training related to interaction with persons with mental disabilities.

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