

'JAN 19 2024'

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DEMENTIA.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 139, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§139- Dementia training. (a) The board shall create
5 or adopt training materials related to the recognition and signs
6 of Alzheimer's disease and related types of dementia. The
7 training materials shall include:

- 8 (1) Strategies for recognizing key signs of Alzheimer's
9 disease and related types of dementia;
10 (2) Strategies for assessing cognition;
11 (3) Best practices for interacting with persons having
12 Alzheimer's disease or related types of dementia; and
13 (4) Strategies to best identify and intervene in
14 situations in which persons having Alzheimer's disease
15 or related types of dementia may be at particular risk
16 of abuse or neglect.



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1 (b) Law enforcement officers shall review training
2 materials provided by the board, in accordance with this
3 section, for a minimum of one hour each year.

4 (c) The training materials shall be provided to applicable
5 law enforcement officers at no cost; provided that the board
6 shall seek funding from nonprofit organizations for the training
7 materials.

8 (d) The board may coordinate with employers of law
9 enforcement officers to develop applicable training materials
10 and standards.

11 (e) The board may utilize educational and training
12 resources available in the public and private sectors to develop
13 training materials required under this section."

14 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

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INTRODUCED BY: _____



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Report Title:

Law Enforcement Standards Board; Dementia Training; Law Enforcement Officers

Description:

Requires the law enforcement standards board to develop training materials related to the recognition and signs of Alzheimer's disease and related types of dementia. Requires law enforcement officers to review training materials for at least 1 hour per year.

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