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Introduced by M. of A. WALKER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the criminal procedure law, in relation to establishing mandatory continuing law enforcement education for peace officers

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 2.30 of the criminal procedure law is amended by adding a new subdivision 7 to read as follows:

7. Every peace officer in the state shall, bi-annually, successfully complete, at a minimum, thirty-two credit hours of training designed to enable such peace officers to more effectively carry out their duties. Such training shall cover de-escalation techniques, implicit biases and mental health training. Such training shall be prescribed by the municipal police training council. Training received by a peace officer in excess of thirty-two hours in any one year may be carried over by the member into succeeding years in order to meet the requirement of this subdivision. Training may be provided in a variety of formats, including but not limited to, electronic media, video, distance learning and traditional classroom training. No employer shall allow any peace officer it employs to carry or use a weapon during any phase of the officer's official duties, unless the officer has satisfactorily completed the required hours of this subdivision. A peace officer who fails to successfully complete training under this subdivision shall not exercise the powers enumerated under section 2.20 of this article.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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