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IN ASSEMBLY

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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:

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

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

19 § 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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