THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 1604 Session of 2025

INTRODUCED BY DELLOSO, CARROLL, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, NEILSON, D. WILLIAMS, O'MARA, STEELE AND CURRY, JUNE 13, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 16, 2025

AN ACT

1 2 3	Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in employees, providing for mandatory firearms training for certain officers.
4	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5	hereby enacts as follows:
6	Section 1. Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7	Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
8	§ 2173. Mandatory firearms training for certain officers.
9	(a) RequirementAn officer shall attend and complete
10	mandatory in-service firearms training courses conducted by a
11	certified law enforcement firearms instructor at least four
12	times each year.
13	(b) Documentation
14	(1) A certified law enforcement firearms instructor and
15	a law enforcement agency's chief officer must produce and
16	<u>maintain a record of any in-service firearms training courses</u>
17	an officer completes, including the number of rounds fired,
18	the officer's scores and the firearms used in training.

1	(2) The record shall be documented in the commission's
2	training and certification system within 30 days of the end
3	of each calendar year, including an officer's primary duty
4	weapon qualification to maintain certification as an officer.
5	(c) PenaltyAn officer who fails to complete the training
6	required under this section shall be placed by the law
7	enforcement agency on administrative leave until the training is
8	completed.
9	(d) DefinitionsAs used in this section, the following
10	words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
11	subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
12	"Certified law enforcement firearms instructor." A firearms
13	instructor authorized by the commission to conduct firearms
14	training to a police officer within this Commonwealth.
15	"Law enforcement agency." A public agency of a municipality
16	or county having general police powers and charged with making
17	arrests in connection with the enforcement of criminal or
18	traffic laws.
19	"Officer." A police officer employed by a law enforcement
20	agency in a county of the second class A with a population
21	between 565,000 and 600,000 according to the 2020 Federal
22	decennial census.
23	Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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