

By: Davis of Dallas

H.B. No. 4483

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to peace officer education and training on individuals  
3 with disabilities.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section [1701.253](#), Occupations Code, is amended  
6 by adding Subsection (p) to read as follows:

7 (p) As part of the minimum curriculum requirements, the  
8 commission shall require an officer to complete a comprehensive  
9 education and training program on identifying, communicating with,  
10 and supporting individuals with disabilities. An officer shall  
11 complete the program required under this subsection not later than  
12 the second anniversary of the date the officer is licensed under  
13 this chapter unless the officer completes the program as part of the  
14 officer's basic training course.

15 SECTION 2. Section [1701.402](#), Occupations Code, is amended  
16 by adding Subsection (o) to read as follows:

17 (o) As a requirement for an intermediate or advanced  
18 proficiency certificate issued by the commission, an officer must  
19 complete the comprehensive education and training program on  
20 identifying, communicating with, and supporting individuals with  
21 disabilities established by the commission under Section  
22 [1701.253](#)(p).

23 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date  
24 of this Act, the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement shall adopt the

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1 rules necessary to implement Sections 1701.253(p) and 1701.402(o),  
2 Occupations Code, as added by this Act.

3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.