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SUMMARY

- Defines the term “emotional intelligence.”
- Requires the Attorney General to adopt rules governing the training of peace officers on emotional intelligence.
- Requires the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission to include training on emotional intelligence in its training program.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Emotional intelligence training

The bill defines the term “emotional intelligence” as the ability to identify and manage a person’s own emotions as well as the emotions of others. “Emotional intelligence” includes having self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, and relationship management skills.¹ The bill requires the Attorney General to adopt rules governing peace officer training on emotional intelligence. The rules must specify the amount of training necessary for the satisfactory completion of basic training programs at approved peace officer training schools, other than the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy and the time within which a peace officer is required to receive that training, if the peace officer is appointed as a peace officer before receiving that training.²

¹ R.C. 109.71(N).

² R.C.109.7413.

The bill requires that peace officer training programs developed by the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission include training on emotional intelligence. Current law does not include emotional intelligence as part of the training program.³

HISTORY

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Introduced	04-08-25

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³ R.C. 109.79(A).