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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2780

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to public safety; establishing training for peace officers to identify and  
1.3 respond to domestic terrorism; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section  
1.4 626.8451, subdivisions 2, 3, by adding a subdivision.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 626.8451, is amended by adding a  
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 1b. Training course; domestic terrorism. (a) The board must prepare  
1.9 a training course to assist peace officers in identifying and responding to domestic  
1.10 terrorism. The course must include material to help officers to identify, disrupt, prevent,  
1.11 strategize, and defeat domestic terrorist operations before they occur and to respond to  
1.12 and investigate them when they do occur.

1.13 (b) For the purposes of this subdivision, "domestic terrorism" has the meaning given  
1.14 in United States Code, title 18, section 2331(5).

1.15 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 626.8451, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.16 Subd. 2. **Preservice training requirement.** An individual may not be licensed as a  
1.17 peace officer unless the individual has received the training described in subdivision 1.  
1.18 An individual is not eligible to take the peace officer licensing examination after August  
1.19 1, 1994, unless the individual has received the training described in subdivision 1a. An  
1.20 individual is not eligible to take the peace officer licensing examination after January 1,  
1.21 2017, unless the individual has received the training under subdivision 1b.

1.22 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 626.8451, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

2.1           Subd. 3. **In-service training; board requirements.** The board must provide  
2.2 to chief law enforcement officers instructional materials patterned after the materials  
2.3 developed by the board under subdivisions 1 ~~and~~, 1a, and 1b. These materials must  
2.4 meet board requirements for continuing education credit and be updated periodically as  
2.5 the board considers appropriate. The board must also seek funding for an educational  
2.6 conference to inform and sensitize chief law enforcement officers and other interested  
2.7 persons to the law enforcement issues associated with bias crimes and crimes of violence.  
2.8 If funding is obtained, the board may sponsor the educational conference on its own or  
2.9 with other public or private entities.