

A bill for an act
relating to law enforcement; creating a crisis intervention team state council;
appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,
chapter 245.

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

Section 1. **[245.6962] CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM STATE COUNCIL.**

Subdivision 1. Purpose. (a) The purpose of the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) State Council is to encourage and support the statewide development of law enforcement CIT's. The council shall serve as the governing body on the finance, curriculum, and programs for CIT training.

(b) The council shall promote the development of local collaboratives between public safety professionals, community providers, and citizens.

(c) The council shall maintain a mailing list of all CIT trained officers in Minnesota, sponsor an annual Minnesota CIT conference, and develop systems to promote and support CIT officers and stakeholders.

Subd. 2. Membership. The commissioner of public safety shall appoint members to the CIT State Council. Members must include, but not be limited to:

- (1) a representative of the Barbara Schneider Foundation;
- (2) a representative of the National Alliance on Mental Illness;
- (3) a representative of the Minnesota Mental Health Association;
- (4) a representative from a mental health court;
- (5) a representative from a hospital with emergency and inpatient psychiatric services;

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(6) a representative of the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association from a police department of a city of the third or fourth class;

(7) a representative from the Minnesota Sheriffs Association;

(8) a representative of the CIT Officers Association;

(9) a training director or CIT coordinator from an operational CIT unit; and

(10) a representative from the Minnesota Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training.

Subd. 3. **Crisis intervention team training.** (a) The council shall have at least one employee who shall be responsible for coordination of the statewide CIT training for public safety officers. Components of the training must include, but not be limited to:

(1) an overview of mental illnesses and the mental health system;

(2) site visits to psychiatric receiving facilities;

(3) mental health courts;

(4) specific psychiatric conditions, and their manifestations and treatment; and

(5) CIT reporting and data collection.

(b) Training under paragraph (a) shall consist of a minimum of 40 hours.

Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION; CRISIS INTERVENTION TRAINING.

\$144,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2008 from the general fund to the commissioner of public safety to fund grants to local police departments to conduct crisis intervention training under this section.