

1 AN ACT relating to training for first responders.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 311A.120 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) ***The board shall,*** as a condition of being issued a certificate or license as ***a***
5 ***paramedic,*** an emergency medical technician, or ***a*** first responder, ***require an***~~[the]~~
6 applicant ***to complete***~~[shall have completed]~~ a Kentucky Board of Emergency
7 Medical Services approved educational course on the transmission, control,
8 treatment, and prevention of the human immunodeficiency virus and acquired
9 immunodeficiency syndrome with an emphasis on appropriate behavior and attitude
10 change.

11 (2) The board shall require continuing education for ***paramedics,*** emergency medical
12 technicians, ***and***~~[or]~~ first responders that includes the completion of one and one-
13 half (1.5) hours of board approved continuing education covering the recognition
14 and prevention of pediatric abusive head trauma, as defined in KRS 620.020, at
15 least one (1) time every five (5) years. The one and one-half (1.5) hours required
16 under this section shall be included in the current number of required continuing
17 education hours.

18 ***(3) The board shall require continuing education for paramedics, emergency medical***
19 ***technicians, and first responders that includes the completion of one and one-***
20 ***half (1.5) hours of board-approved continuing education covering the awareness***
21 ***and recognition of and appropriate interaction with individuals with autism***
22 ***spectrum disorders at least one (1) time every five (5) years. The one and one-half***
23 ***(1.5) hours required under this section shall be included in the current number of***
24 ***required continuing education hours.***

25 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 16 IS CREATED TO
26 READ AS FOLLOWS:

27 ***The Kentucky Law Enforcement Council shall require training for officers that***

1 includes the completion of one and one-half (1.5) hours of council-approved training
 2 covering the awareness and recognition of and appropriate interaction with individuals
 3 with autism spectrum disorders at least one (1) time every five (5) years. The one and
 4 one-half (1.5) hours required under this section shall be included in the current
 5 number of required training hours.

6 ➔SECTION 3. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 65 IS CREATED TO
 7 READ AS FOLLOWS:

8 (1) All first responders employed under the auspices of cities, counties, urban-county
 9 governments, charter county governments, consolidated local governments, and
 10 unified local governments shall be required by their executive authority and all
 11 first responders employed under the auspices of special districts shall be required
 12 by their boards to complete one and one-half (1.5) hours of training covering the
 13 awareness and recognition of and appropriate interaction with individuals with
 14 autism spectrum disorders at least one (1) time every five (5) years. The one and
 15 one-half (1.5) hours required under this section shall be included in the current
 16 number of required training hours.

17 (2) For the purposes of this section, "first responders" means:

18 (a) A police officer as defined in KRS 61.315;

19 (b) A firefighter as defined in KRS 61.315; and

20 (c) An emergency medical services personnel as defined in KRS 61.315.

21 ➔Section 4. The following KRS sections are repealed:

22 311A.110 Educational course on AIDS for paramedics, first responders, and emergency
 23 medical technicians.

24 311A.115 Educational course on AIDS for paramedics.

25 311A.127 Course for paramedics on recognition and prevention of pediatric abusive
 26 head trauma.

27 ➔Section 5. This Act may be cited as Kaleb's Law.