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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

AN ACT CONCERNING BLEEDING CONTROL TRAINING AND KITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) The Department of
2 Emergency Services and Public Protection shall administer a bleeding
3 control training program in each district department of health formed
4 pursuant to section 19a-241 of the general statutes. The training
5 program, utilizing a training model developed by the Committee on
6 Trauma of the American College of Surgeons, shall provide certification
7 in bleeding control training to enable participants to provide bleeding
8 control training to other individuals upon completion of the training
9 program. Such training program shall be offered not later than July 1,
10 2026, and at least once every three years thereafter.

11 (b) The director of health for each district department of health shall
12 determine the eligibility criteria for participation in the bleeding control
13 training program. Participants shall be members of the following groups
14 within such district: (1) Employees of such health department, (2)
15 employees of youth service bureaus, (3) school employees, as defined in
16 section 10-221o of the general statutes, (4) employees and volunteers of

17 youth-serving organizations, (5) employees and volunteers of operators
18 of youth athletic activities, as defined in section 21a-432 of the general
19 statutes, (6) employees of municipal social service agencies, (7) members
20 of paid municipal or volunteer fire departments, (8) members of local
21 police departments, (9) any other municipal employees, and (10)
22 members of local and regional boards of education. The training
23 program may be included as part of an in-service training program for
24 school employees provided pursuant to section 10-220a of the general
25 statutes.

26 (c) Any individual who has received certification in bleeding control
27 training through the training program administered pursuant to
28 subsection (a) of this section may, during the period in which such
29 certification is valid, provide bleeding control training to any member
30 of a group described in subdivisions (1) to (10), inclusive, of subsection
31 (b) of this section and to members of the public.

32 (d) Not less than one employee of each district department of health
33 shall receive certification in bleeding control training through the
34 training program administered pursuant to subsection (a) of this
35 section.

36 (e) The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection may
37 contract with a nongovernmental entity that provides bleeding control
38 training to carry out the provisions of this section.

39 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section, "basic
40 training", "review training" and "probationary candidate" have the same
41 meanings as provided in section 7-294a of the general statutes.

42 (b) A police officer or probationary candidate who has received
43 certification in bleeding control training through the training program
44 administered pursuant to subsection (a) of section 1 of this act shall be
45 given credit for such training toward the basic or review training
46 required by subsection (a) of section 7-294d of the general statutes.

47 Sec. 3. Section 7-323l of the general statutes, as amended by section 3
48 of public act 24-136, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
49 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

50 (a) The commission shall:

51 (1) Recommend minimum standards of education and physical
52 condition for candidates for any firefighter position;

53 (2) Establish standards for fire service training and education
54 programs, and develop and conduct an examination program to certify
55 those fire service personnel who satisfactorily demonstrate their ability
56 to meet the requirements of the fire service training and education
57 program standards;

58 (3) Establish an optional fire service training and education program
59 in the handling of incidents, such as wandering, that involve juveniles
60 and adults with autism spectrum disorder, cognitive impairment or
61 nonverbal learning disorder, provided the curriculum for such
62 techniques is made available at no cost from (A) institutions of higher
63 education, health care professionals or advocacy organizations that are
64 concerned with juveniles and adults with autism spectrum disorder,
65 cognitive impairment or nonverbal learning disorder, or (B)
66 collaborations of such institutions, professionals or organizations;

67 (4) Conduct fire fighting training and education programs designed
68 to assist firefighters in developing and maintaining their skills and
69 keeping abreast of technological advances in fire suppression, fire
70 protection, fire prevention and related fields;

71 (5) Recommend standards for promotion to the various ranks of fire
72 departments;

73 (6) Be authorized, with the approval of the Commissioner of
74 Emergency Services and Public Protection, to apply for, receive and
75 distribute any state, federal or private funds or contributions available

76 for training and education of fire fighting personnel;

77 (7) Recommend that the Commissioner of Emergency Services and
78 Public Protection approve or reject the establishment of, or, when
79 appropriate, suspend or revoke the approval of, regional fire schools in
80 accordance with section 7-323u;

81 (8) Advise the Division of Fire Services Administration within the
82 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection on the
83 management of the Statewide Fire Service Disaster Response Plan;

84 (9) Implement the recommendations of the study of the fire service
85 authorized pursuant to subdivision (36) of subsection (b) of section 41
86 of public act 23-204; and

87 (10) Submit to the Governor, the joint standing committee of the
88 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety
89 and security, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, and the
90 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection an annual
91 report (A) relating to the activities, recommendations and
92 accomplishments of the commission, and (B) making recommendations
93 on the funding necessary for the operation of, the maintenance of and
94 capital improvements to the state fire school and regional fire schools.

95 (b) A firefighter who has received certification in bleeding control
96 training through the training program administered pursuant to
97 subsection (a) of section 1 of this act shall be given credit for such
98 training toward meeting the requirements of the fire service training
99 and education program standards established pursuant to subdivision
100 (2) of subsection (a) of this section.

101 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) The commission may recommend, and the Commissioner of
102 Emergency Services and Public Protection may adopt, regulations in
103 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 as necessary to implement
104 the provisions of this section.

105 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section,
 106 "bleeding control kit" means a set of materials used to provide first aid
 107 to a person suffering from a serious bleed, which includes, but need not
 108 be limited to, tourniquets, chest seals, compression bandages, bleeding
 109 control bandages, emergency blankets, latex-free gloves, markers,
 110 scissors and instructional documents developed by the American
 111 College of Surgeons, the United States Department of Homeland
 112 Security or a similar organization or agency that detail methods to
 113 prevent blood loss following a traumatic event.

114 (b) On and after July 1, 2026, the Commissioner of Administrative
 115 Services shall ensure that not less than one bleeding control kit is
 116 installed on each floor level of each building owned by the state or any
 117 political subdivision thereof. Each such bleeding control kit shall be
 118 centrally located, clearly visible and easily accessible.

119 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section,
 120 "bleeding control kit" has the same meaning as provided in section 4 of
 121 this act.

122 (b) The State Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards
 123 Committee shall, jointly, with the approval of the Commissioner of
 124 Administrative Services, in accordance with the provisions of section 29-
 125 252b of the general statutes, include in the amendments to the State
 126 Building Code next adopted after the effective date of this section a
 127 requirement that each new construction or substantial renovation of a
 128 public building, as defined in section 1-1 of the general statutes, or place
 129 of public accommodation, resort or amusement, as defined in section
 130 46a-63 of the general statutes, install on each floor level not less than one
 131 bleeding control kit. Each such bleeding control kit shall be centrally
 132 located, clearly visible and easily accessible.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2025	New section
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Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	<i>7-323l</i>
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require (1) the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to administer a bleeding control training program, (2) police officers and probationary candidates who receive certification through such program be given credit toward basic or review training, (3) firefighters who receive certification through such program be given credit toward fire service training and education program standards, (4) bleeding control kits be installed in each building owned by the state or any political subdivision thereof, and (5) amendments to the State Building Code concerning the installation of bleeding control kits.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]