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Substitute Bill No. 7200



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.

(b) The director of health for each district department of health shall determine the eligibility criteria for participation in the bleeding control training program. Participants shall be members of the following groups within such district: (1) Employees of such health department, (2) employees of youth service bureaus, (3) school employees, as defined in section 10-2210 of the general statutes, (4) employees and volunteers of youth-serving organizations, (5) employees and volunteers of operators of youth athletic activities, as defined in section 21a-432 of the general statutes, (6) employees of municipal social service agencies, (7) members of paid municipal or volunteer fire departments, (8) members of local

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- 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
- 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
- required by subsection (a) of section 7-294d of the general statutes.
- 47 Sec. 3. Section 7-323*l* of the general statutes, as amended by section 3
- 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:

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

- (2) Establish standards for fire service training and education programs, and develop and conduct an examination program to certify those fire service personnel who satisfactorily demonstrate their ability to meet the requirements of the fire service training and education program standards;
- (3) Establish an optional fire service training and education program in the handling of incidents, such as wandering, that involve juveniles and adults with autism spectrum disorder, cognitive impairment or nonverbal learning disorder, provided the curriculum for such techniques is made available at no cost from (A) institutions of higher education, health care professionals or advocacy organizations that are concerned with juveniles and adults with autism spectrum disorder, cognitive impairment or nonverbal learning disorder, or (B) collaborations of such institutions, professionals or organizations;
- (4) Conduct fire fighting training and education programs designed to assist firefighters in developing and maintaining their skills and keeping abreast of technological advances in fire suppression, fire protection, fire prevention and related fields;
- 71 (5) Recommend standards for promotion to the various ranks of fire 72 departments;
 - (6) Be authorized, with the approval of the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, to apply for, receive and distribute any state, federal or private funds or contributions available for training and education of fire fighting personnel;
 - (7) Recommend that the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection approve or reject the establishment of, or, when appropriate, suspend or revoke the approval of, regional fire schools in accordance with section 7-323u;

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

- (9) Implement the recommendations of the study of the fire service authorized pursuant to subdivision (36) of subsection (b) of section 41 of public act 23-204; and
- (10) Submit to the Governor, the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety and security, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, and the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection an annual report (A) relating to the activities, recommendations and accomplishments of the commission, and (B) making recommendations on the funding necessary for the operation of, the maintenance of and 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.
 - [(b)] (c) The commission may recommend, and the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection may adopt, regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 as necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
 - Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section, "bleeding control kit" means a set of materials used to provide first aid to a person suffering from a serious bleed, which includes, but need not be limited to, tourniquets, chest seals, compression bandages, bleeding control bandages, emergency blankets, latex-free gloves, markers, scissors and instructional documents developed by the American College of Surgeons, the United States Department of Homeland Security or a similar organization or agency that detail methods to

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prevent blood loss following a traumatic event.

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- 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.
- Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, "bleeding control kit" has the same meaning as provided in section 4 of this act.
 - (b) The State Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards Committee shall jointly, with the approval of the Commissioner of Administrative Services and in accordance with the provisions of section 29-252b of the general statutes, include in the amendments to the State Building Code next adopted after the effective date of this section a requirement that each new construction or substantial renovation of a public building, as defined in section 1-1 of the general statutes, or place of public accommodation, resort or amusement, as defined in section 46a-63 of the general statutes, install on each floor level not less than one bleeding control kit. Each such bleeding control kit shall be centrally 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
Sec. 2	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 3	July 1, 2025	7-3231
Sec. 4	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 5	from passage	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Section 5(b), "shall, jointly, with the approval of the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in accordance" was changed to "shall jointly, with the approval of the Commissioner of Administrative Services and

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in accordance" for clarity and consistency with other provisions of the general statutes.

PS Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO

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