
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 1374

AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL SECURITY PERSONNEL TRAINING.

SUMMARY

Current law requires the Police Officer Standards and Training Council (POST) to provide training to public school security personnel employed by local and regional boards of education. This bill (1) expands the training's required components for armed school security personnel and (2) allows a POST-approved instructor selected by a board of education to provide the training.

Current law requires the training to include drug detection and gang identification. The bill retains these requirements for the training provided to unarmed security personnel and additionally requires the training provided to armed personnel to include the following components:

1. use of force;
2. recognizing armed people;
3. security, including perimeter strengths and vulnerabilities;
4. stopping blood loss;
5. responding to active assailants;
6. handling firearms safely;
7. retaining firearms and other weapons;
8. qualified immunity;
9. lawfully storing firearms; and

10. interacting with, and handling incidents involving, people with mental, physical, or special needs, including ways to de-escalate these events.

The bill also explicitly allows school boards to provide additional training to both armed and unarmed security personnel.

Lastly, the bill allows the required training to take place at the Connecticut Police Academy or any other location chosen by the approved instructor.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2025

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 29 Nay 0 (03/18/2025)