

## House Bill 296

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 35-8-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the  
2 powers and duties of the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, so as  
3 establish basic and in-service training courses on de-escalation techniques and methods; to  
4 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 35-8-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the powers and  
8 duties of the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, is amended by revising  
9 paragraph (20) as follows:

10 "(20) To establish as part of the curriculum for basic and in-service training courses for  
11 all peace officers training on organized criminal activity, ~~and criminal street gangs, and~~  
12 de-escalation techniques and methods that include scenario based training;"

13 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

14 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.