

SENATE BILL 541

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-7-107; Section 38-8-112 and Section 38-8-119, relative to law enforcement training.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-7-107(d), is amended by deleting the language "mental illnesses" and by substituting instead the following:

autism, mental illness, mental retardation, and developmental disability

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-112, is amended by deleting the language "mental illnesses" and by substituting instead the following:

autism, mental illness, mental retardation, and developmental disability

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-119, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

All police officers shall annually be provided with training to assist in:

(1) Identifying symptoms of autism, mental illness, mental retardation and developmental disability; and

(2) Responding to persons with autism, mental illness, mental retardation or developmental disability.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.