

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1227**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Cooper**

February 27, 2015

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An act relating to peace officer training.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1227, as introduced, Cooper. Peace officer training: mental health.

Existing law requires the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training to establish and keep updated a continuing education classroom training course for peace officer interactions with persons with mental disabilities. Under existing law, this course consists of classroom instruction and utilizes interactive training methods to ensure that training is as realistic as possible. Under existing law, this course includes training in identifying indicators of mental disability, conflict resolution techniques, and alternatives to lethal force.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to increase the continuing mental health training standards for California peace officers.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation to increase the continuing mental health training
- 3 standards for California peace officers.

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