

P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 455, *approved January 18, 2022*
Assembly, No. 4366 (*Second Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning police training and supplementing chapter 17B
2 of Title 52 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. ²The Attorney General, in consultation with the
8 Commissioner of Human Services, shall develop a pilot program to
9 promote and encourage law enforcement officers Statewide to
10 complete training that applies the Crisis Intervention Team model,
11 which program may include support for and coordination between
12 the Police Training Commission in the Division of Criminal Justice
13 in the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Division of
14 Mental Health and Addiction Services in the Department of Human
15 Services to increase the frequency of, number of locations, and
16 geographic accessibility to training courses offered that apply the
17 Crisis Intervention Team model.

18 b.² The Police Training Commission ²**[in the Division of**
19 **Criminal Justice in the Department of Law and Public Safety]**²
20 **'shall'** ²**[:**

21 (1) **'[shall]'** annually contract with **'[the New Jersey Crisis**
22 **Intervention Team Center of Excellence]** a crisis intervention
23 training center¹ to assist and support counties in developing and
24 implementing the Crisis Intervention Team model. The Police
25 Training Commission shall assume and maintain any existing
26 contract between **'[the New Jersey Crisis Intervention Team Center**
27 **of Excellence]** a crisis intervention training center¹ and the
28 Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services in the
29 Department of Human Services **'that is'** in operation upon the
30 effective date of this act. Upon the expiration of that contract, any
31 new contract entered into under this paragraph between **'[the New**
32 **Jersey Crisis Intervention Team Center of Excellence and]'** the
33 Police Training Commission **'and a crisis intervention training**
34 **center'** shall **'[provide]** include¹, at a minimum, the same
35 provisions **'[of]** that were contained in¹ the expired contract¹**['**,
36 originally entered into between the New Jersey Crisis Intervention
37 Team Center of Excellence and] executed by¹ the Division of
38 Mental Health and Addiction Services;

39 (2) **'[shall]'** require every municipal police officer appointed to
40 a police department and force established pursuant to N.J.S.40A:14-

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted July 27, 2020.

²Senate floor amendments adopted December 20, 2021.

1 118 and every county police officer appointed to a police
2 department and force pursuant to N.J.S.40A:14-106, within five
3 years of the effective date of this act or by a date determined by the
4 Attorney General, to complete the Crisis Intervention Team model
5 as part of the officer's in-service training;

6 (3)² ¹["may"]¹ develop and implement ²or incorporate into an
7 existing training course², in ²["collaboration"] consultation² with
8 ²["the"] a² ¹["New Jersey Crisis Intervention Team Center of
9 Excellence"] crisis intervention training center ²["contracted
10 pursuant to the section"]¹², a curriculum ¹["applying"] that applies¹
11 the Crisis Intervention Team model to persons experiencing an
12 economic crisis or struggling with a substance abuse disorder who
13 come into contact with law enforcement first responders.

14 ²["b. The Police Training Commission shall adopt rules and
15 regulations, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act,"
16 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), to effectuate the purposes of
17 this act."]²

18 c. As used in this section:

19 "Crisis Intervention Team model" means the best practice jail
20 diversion model originally developed by the Memphis Tennessee
21 Police Department and implemented in New Jersey as a county
22 based collaboration of professionals committed to improving the
23 law enforcement and mental health systems' response to persons
24 experiencing a psychiatric crisis who come into contact with law
25 enforcement first responders.

26 ¹["New Jersey Crisis Intervention Team Center of Excellence"]
27 "Crisis intervention training center"¹ means ¹["a program of the
28 Mental Health Association in Southwestern New Jersey serving"] a
29 program or entity that has operated¹ as a ¹crisis intervention¹
30 support center ¹in the State for a period of at least five years and
31 ²["is contracted, pursuant to subsection a. of this section,"¹ to assist]
32 that has experience in assisting political subdivisions in² New
33 Jersey ²["counties"]² in developing and implementing the Crisis
34 Intervention Team model.
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36 2. This act shall take effect ²["on the first day of the thirteenth
37 month next following the date of enactment"] immediately².
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43 Requires Police Training Commission to contract with crisis
44 intervention training center to provide mental health training to
45 police officers and establish curriculum specific to persons
experiencing economic crisis or substance use disorder.