**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND CHAPTER 23, TITLE 23 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY, BY ADDING SECTION 23-23-45, TO PROVIDE FOR A MODEL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR NEWLY APPOINTED CHIEFS OF POLICE, REVISIONS TO THE PROGRAM, AND THE TIME PERIOD TO COMPLETE THE PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE TRAINING PROGRAM DOES NOT APPLY TO DULY ELECTED SHERIFFS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Chapter 23, Title 23 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 23‑23‑45. (A) The council shall adopt a model training program for training newly appointed chiefs of police. Every three years, the council shall review the training program and adopt revisions as necessary. Within six months of taking office, any person appointed as the chief of a law enforcement agency must complete the training program adopted by the council and established by regulation.

(B) This section does not apply to duly elected sheriffs.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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