

# HOUSE BILL 779

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

### 2 **Police Training Commission – Additional Minimum Training Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Police Training Commission to expand a certain  
4 curriculum and the minimum courses of study of certain police training  
5 conducted by certain police training schools to include special training on,  
6 attention to, and the study of the exploitation of children, the contact with and  
7 treatment of victims of crimes and delinquent acts, the notices, services,  
8 support, and rights under State law available to certain victims and victims'  
9 representatives, and notification of the rights of victims of identity fraud under  
10 federal law; and generally relating to minimum requirements for police  
11 training.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

13 Article – Public Safety

14 Section 3–207

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2003 Volume and 2009 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

### 19 **Article – Public Safety**

20 3–207.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 Subject to the authority of the Secretary, the Commission has the following  
2 powers and duties:

3 (1) to establish standards for the approval and continuation of  
4 approval of schools that conduct police entrance–level and in–service training courses  
5 required by the Commission, including State, regional, county, and municipal training  
6 schools;

7 (2) to approve and issue certificates of approval to police training  
8 schools;

9 (3) to inspect police training schools;

10 (4) to revoke, for cause, the approval or certificate of approval issued  
11 to a police training school;

12 (5) to establish the following for police training schools:

13 (i) curriculum;

14 (ii) minimum courses of study;

15 (iii) attendance requirements;

16 (iv) eligibility requirements;

17 (v) equipment and facilities;

18 (vi) standards of operation; and

19 (vii) minimum qualifications for instructors;

20 (6) to require, for entrance–level police training and at least every 3  
21 years for in–service level police training conducted by the State and each county and  
22 municipal police training school, that the curriculum and minimum courses of study  
23 include special training, attention to, and study of the application and enforcement of:

24 (I) the criminal laws concerning rape and sexual offenses,  
25 including[:

26 (i)] the sexual abuse **AND EXPLOITATION** of children[;] **AND**

27 [(ii)] related evidentiary procedures; [and

28 (iii)] (II) the contact with and treatment of victims of [these]  
29 crimes **AND DELINQUENT ACTS**;

1                   **(III) THE NOTICES, SERVICES, SUPPORT, AND RIGHTS**  
2 **AVAILABLE TO VICTIMS AND VICTIMS' REPRESENTATIVES UNDER STATE LAW;**  
3 **AND**

4                   **(IV) THE NOTIFICATION OF VICTIMS OF IDENTITY FRAUD**  
5 **AND RELATED CRIMES OF THEIR RIGHTS UNDER FEDERAL LAW;**

6                   (7) to certify and issue appropriate certificates to qualified instructors  
7 for police training schools authorized by the Commission to offer police training  
8 programs;

9                   (8) to verify that police officers have satisfactorily completed training  
10 programs and issue diplomas to those police officers;

11                   (9) to conduct and operate police training schools authorized by the  
12 Commission to offer police training programs;

13                   (10) to make a continuous study of entrance-level and in-service  
14 training methods and procedures;

15                   (11) to consult with and accept the cooperation of any recognized  
16 federal, State, or municipal law enforcement agency or educational institution;

17                   (12) to consult and cooperate with universities, colleges, and  
18 institutions in the State to develop specialized courses of study for police officers in  
19 police science and police administration;

20                   (13) to consult and cooperate with other agencies and units of the State  
21 concerned with police training;

22                   (14) to develop, with the cooperation of the Office of the Chief Medical  
23 Examiner and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, a uniform missing person report  
24 form to be available for use by each law enforcement agency of the State on or before  
25 October 1, 2008;

26                   (15) to require, for entrance-level police training and annually for  
27 in-service level police training conducted by the State and each county and municipal  
28 police training school, that the curriculum and minimum courses of study include, for  
29 police officers who are issued an electronic control device by a law enforcement agency,  
30 special training in the proper use of electronic control devices, as defined in § 4-109 of  
31 the Criminal Law Article, consistent with established law enforcement standards and  
32 federal and State constitutional provisions; and

33                   (16) to perform any other act that is necessary or appropriate to carry  
34 out the powers and duties of the Commission under this subtitle.

1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   October 1, 2010.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.