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Senate Bill 1125 (as reported without amendment)

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Committee: Judiciary and Public Safety

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Local Corrections Officers Training Act to require the course content of the vocational certificate program, the central training academy, and continuing education programs for local corrections officers to include crisis response and behavioral health training. The training would have to be evidence based and align with the large body of national research on de-escalation and responding to individuals with behavioral health needs.

The crisis response and behavioral health training would have to provide the following information:

- -- The reasons individuals with behavioral health needs should be diverted from criminal justice involvement.
- -- How to recognize individuals with behavioral health needs.
- -- How to safely and effectively respond to individuals with behavioral health needs.
- -- The best methods and available options to divert individuals with behavioral health needs from sustained criminal justice involvement
- -- The best methods to connect individuals with behavioral health needs with local supportive services.

In approving the course content for crisis response and behavioral health training, the Council would have to consult with the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and the Mental Health Diversion Council.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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