

Senator Todd D. Weiler proposes the following substitute bill:

**TRAINING FOR PEACE OFFICERS**

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Steve R. Christiansen**

Senate Sponsor: Todd D. Weiler

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates a grant program for local law enforcement agencies to provide outward mindset and equality training.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ allows local law enforcement agencies to provide outward mindset and equality training to their officers;
- ▶ creates a grant program to be administered by POST to assist in providing a training program;
- ▶ requires POST to define the requirements and curriculum for the program; and
- ▶ provides rulemaking authority; and
- ▶ appropriates \$500,000 for the grant program.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates for fiscal year 2022:

- ▶ to the Department of Public Safety -- Peace Officer Standards and Training:
  - from the General Fund, one-time, \$500,000.

**Other Special Clauses:**



26 None

27 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

28 ENACTS:

29 **53-6-214**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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31 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

32 Section 1. Section **53-6-214** is enacted to read:

33 **53-6-214. Outward mindset and equality training -- Grant program --**

34 **Curriculum requirements.**

35 (1) As used in this section:

36 (a) "Agency" means a local law enforcement agency, as defined in Subsection  
37 53-13-101(7).

38 (b) "Outward mindset and equality training program" means a training program  
39 approved by the division and intended and designed to train peace officers to develop an  
40 outward mindset in policing by learning methods and techniques for treating all people justly  
41 and equally.

42 (2) The division shall:

43 (a) review and approve a curriculum training program that meets the requirements of  
44 Subsection (3);

45 (b) approve each training program provider; and

46 (c) under the direction of the POST Council, administer a grant program to provide a  
47 requesting agency with full or partial funding for an approved outward mindset and equality  
48 training program.

49 (3) An approved training program shall provide instruction in tools and methods to  
50 develop an outward mindset in policing. The program shall include:

51 (a) implementation and practice of an applied self-awareness model focusing on  
52 behavioral modification and increased self-awareness changes that influence interpersonal  
53 relationships, collaboration, and productivity, and enable peace officers to learn techniques to  
54 move from an inward mentality to an outward, collective benefitting mentality that supports the  
55 officer's ability to see and treat all people justly and equally;

56 (b) conducting self-assessments of behavior consistent with an outward, collective

57 benefitting mentality;

58 (c) modules on policing in a way that is more collaborative; and

59 (d) planning methods to achieve individual, community, and organizational law

60 enforcement objectives.

61 (4) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, and  
62 Subsection 53-6-105(1)(k), the director shall make rules:

63 (a) establishing criteria and standards for an outward mindset and equality training  
64 program; and

65 (b) developing procedures for granting funds under this section to local law  
66 enforcement agencies.

67 **Section 2. Appropriation.**

68 (1) The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
69 2021, and ending on June 30, 2022. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for  
70 fiscal year 2022. Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures  
71 Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts  
72 indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

73 ITEM 1

74 To Department of Public Safety - Peace Officer's Standards and Training

75 From General Fund, One-time \$500,000

76 Schedule of Programs

77 Outward Mindset and Equality Training Program \$500,000

78 (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that the department use the funds appropriated to  
79 award grants in accordance with Section 53-6-214.