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Committee Bill No. 5156

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING TRAINING FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND
EMERGENCY SERVICES MEDICAL PERSONNEL REGARDING
JUVENILES WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER OR NONVERBAL
LEARNING DISORDER.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) On and after January 1,
2 2020, each initial, review or refresher training program for firefighters
3 of a municipal, state or volunteer fire department or emergency
4 medical services personnel, as defined in section 20-206jj of the general
5 statutes, shall include a course on techniques for handling incidents,
6 such as wandering, that involve juveniles with autism spectrum
7 disorder or nonverbal learning disorder if the curriculum for such
8 techniques is made available at no cost to the training provider from
9 (1) institutions of higher education, health care professionals or
10 advocacy organizations that are concerned with juveniles with autism
11 spectrum disorder or nonverbal learning disorder, or (2) a
12 collaboration of such institutions, professionals or organizations.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2020	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require training for firefighters and emergency services medical personnel on techniques for handling incidents involving juveniles with autism spectrum disorder or nonverbal learning disorder, if the curriculum is available at no cost.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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