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Yeas:	Barker, Bonamici, Cameron, Flores, Komp, Krieger, Read, Whisnant, Macpherson
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Meeting Dates:	4/3, 4/20, 4/23

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Compels the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) to require at least 24 hours of training in mental illness recognition, using a crisis intervention training model.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need for training
- Costs associated with training

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Deletes the requirement that training include 12 hours classroom and 12 hours scenario training.

BACKGROUND: The crisis intervention training model was originated at the Memphis Police Department in Tennessee. It is a specialized, multidisciplinary course of study. It is instructed and supervised by mental health service providers, family advocates, and survivors of mental illness. The training provides skills, tools, and tactics for law enforcement personnel to safely deescalate persons in mental illness or developmental disability crisis. Officers receive information about different mental illnesses, developmental disabilities, crisis intervention techniques, community resources, and all major areas useful in interacting with persons in crisis. This training produces officers who professionally respond in an empathetic and calming manner.

Currently, DPSST has eight hours of classroom training on mental illness recognition, four hours of mixed classroom and breakout sessions, and four to eight hours of scenario training. This training is part of the current basic certification procedure for police officers.

Oregon law does not currently have statutorily required mental illness recognition training.