

# House Bill 2551

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## SUMMARY

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Directs law enforcement agencies to adopt policy applicable to administration of eyewitness identification procedures.

Requires Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to include training on eyewitness identification in minimum training necessary for certification as police officer.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to eyewitness identification; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 181.641.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1. (1) Each law enforcement unit in this state shall comply with a written policy adopted by the law enforcement unit that is applicable to the administration of eyewitness identification procedures. The policy must:**

**(a) Be based on credible and current field, academic or laboratory research on witness memory;**

**(b) Be designed to enhance the reliability and objectivity of witness identifications and to minimize the possibility of erroneous witness identifications; and**

**(c) Meet or exceed the requirements of the model policy of the International Association of Chiefs of Police relating to eyewitness identification.**

**(2) As used in this section, "law enforcement unit" has the meaning given that term in ORS 181.610.**

**SECTION 2.** ORS 181.641 is amended to read:

181.641. The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training shall include in the minimum training required for basic certification as a police officer under ORS 181.665:

(1) The law, theory, policies and practices related to vehicle pursuit driving and, as facilities and funding permit, vehicle pursuit training exercises;

**(2) The law, theory, policies and practices related to eyewitness identification, including compliance with the model policy of the International Association of Chiefs of Police relating to eyewitness identification; and**

*[(2)]* **(3) At least 24 hours of training in the recognition of mental illnesses utilizing a crisis intervention training model, at least one hour of which must include training on the appropriate use of the medical health database described in ORS 181.735.**

**SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 181.641 by section 2 of this 2013 Act apply to training commenced on or after the effective date of this 2013 Act.**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.