

Municipal Police Training Committee within the Executive Office of Public Safety which is comprised of the following 13 members:

5 chiefs of police to be appointed by the Governor from nominations submitted by the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association

2 sheriffs to be appointed by the Governor

The chair of the Massachusetts Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers, Inc. (or their respective designees);

The president of the Massachusetts Association of Women in Law Enforcement, Inc. (or their respective designees);

The commissioner of police of the city of Boston (or their respective designees);

The colonel of state police (or their respective designees);

The attorney general (or their respective designees); and

1 person to be designated by the secretary of public safety and security (or their respective designees).

All such appointments shall be for terms of 3 years with their successors appointed in a like manner.

There will be an additional 17 advisory non-voting members of the commission

The committee shall set policies and standards for the training of the following, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, including the training mandated by this chapter, section 36C of chapter 40, sections 96B and 97B of chapter 41 and section 24M of chapter 90:

(i) municipal police officers and candidates for such appointment;

(ii) Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority transit police officers and candidates for such appointment;

(iii) police officers of the department of law enforcement within the executive office of environmental affairs, and candidates for such appointment;

(iv) University of Massachusetts police officers, and candidates for such appointment;

(v) Campus police officers attending committee-approved academies or training programs; and

(vi) deputy sheriffs, appointed pursuant to section 3 of chapter 37, performing police duties and functions.

The committee shall set policies and standards for the screening of all applicants for admission to committee-certified academies.

The committee shall set policies and standards for background investigations for all persons appointed to committee-certified academies and initial appointments of those persons, which investigations shall require at a minimum verification against the national decertification index or the database of decertified law enforcement officers maintained by the Massachusetts peace officer standards and training commission established in section 2 of chapter 6E.

The committee and the division of police certification established in section 4 of chapter 6E shall jointly establish minimum certification standards for all officers, pursuant to section 4 of chapter 6E.

The committee, and the Massachusetts peace officer standards and training commission established in section 2 of chapter 6E, shall jointly promulgate rules and regulations for the use of force by law enforcement officers consistent with sections 14 and 15 of chapter 6E.

The committee shall maintain records of training for all officers for whom the committee sets policies and standards for training, issue confirmation of satisfactory completion of training, and provide for

extensions or waivers of training requirements for good cause and maintain records of any such extension or waiver and the reason.

The committee shall provide records of completion of training to the Massachusetts peace officer standards and training commission established in section 2 of chapter 6E.

The committee shall coordinate with the center for responsive training in crisis intervention established pursuant to section 25 of chapter 19 on all behavioral health-related training.

The committee shall identify training requirements and develop guidance for meeting those requirements through trainings provided by the committee or other independent educational entities.

The committee shall review and recommend to the secretary of public safety and security an annual appropriation for the administration of the committee, as well as for the operations of a headquarters and regional training centers, and for the delivery of standardized training at the centers.

The committee may promulgate regulations pursuant to chapter 30A as necessary to implement sections 116 to 118, inclusive.

SECTION 116. (a) There shall be established, pursuant to section 2A of chapter 4 of the General Laws, a special legislative commission to investigate and study the impact to the administration of justice of the qualified immunity doctrine in the commonwealth. Said investigation and study shall include, without limitation, an analysis of the origins of qualified immunity and its present interpretation by the courts of the commonwealth, and the legal and policy rationale for, and the legal and policy impact of, the qualified immunity doctrine in the commonwealth. (b) The special legislative commission shall consist of 15 members: 2 of whom shall be the chairs of the joint committee on the judiciary or their designees, who shall serve as co-chairs; 2 of whom shall be members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house; 1 of whom shall be a member of the house of representatives appointed by the minority leader; 2 of whom shall be members of the senate appointed by the president of the senate; 1 of whom shall be a member of the senate appointed by the minority leader; 3 of whom shall be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be a member of a police officers' union, 1 of whom shall be a member of a firefighters' union and 1 of whom shall be a retired justice of the appeals court; 1 of whom shall be the executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts, Inc. or a designee; 1 of whom shall be the president of the Massachusetts Bar Association or a designee; 1 of whom shall be the executive director of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, Inc. or a designee; and 1 of whom shall be the president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People New England Area Conference or a designee. (c) The special legislative commission shall submit a report of its study and recommendations, together with legislation, if any, to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate on or before September 30, 2021.

SECTION 118. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the municipal police training committee, in consultation with the executive office of public safety and security, shall promulgate regulations requiring law enforcement agencies to participate in critical incident stress management and peer support programs to address police officer mental wellness and suicide prevention as well as critical incident stress and the effect on public safety. The programs shall be created internally within an agency or agencies may collaborate within a regional system. The programs shall include, but shall not be limited to, mental wellness and stress management pre-incident and post-incident education, peer support, availability and referral to professional resources and assistance. The municipal police training

committee shall ensure that each officer is notified of the program during each 3-year certification cycle under this act.