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To direct the Director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services of the Department of Justice to establish a training course relating to Alzheimer’s disease and similar forms of dementia.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 24, 2024

Mr. BUCHANAN (for himself and Ms. BARRAGÁN) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Alzheimer’s Law En-
5 forcement Education Act of 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. TRAINING COURSE RELATING TO ALZHEIMER'S DIS-**
2 **EASE AND SIMILAR FORMS OF DEMENTIA.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Office
5 of Community Oriented Policing Services of the Depart-
6 ment of Justice, in consultation with the Secretary of
7 Health and Human Services and the Administrator for the
8 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, shall estab-
9 lish a training course relating to Alzheimer's disease and
10 similar forms of dementia and such training course shall
11 be available online.

12 (b) DEVELOPMENT.—The training course shall in-
13 clude the following:

14 (1) Instructions on interacting with persons
15 with Alzheimer's disease or a similar form of demen-
16 tia.

17 (2) Techniques for recognizing behavioral symp-
18 toms and characteristics of Alzheimer's disease or a
19 similar form of dementia.

20 (3) Techniques for effectively communicating
21 with persons with Alzheimer's disease or a similar
22 form of dementia.

23 (4) Effective use of alternatives to physical re-
24 straints when interacting with persons with Alz-
25 heimer's disease or a similar form of dementia.

1 (5) How to identify signs of abuse, neglect, or
2 exploitation of persons with Alzheimer’s disease or a
3 similar form of dementia.

4 (c) COMPLETION.—The Director shall recommend
5 that applicable State departments and agencies count par-
6 ticipation in the course under this section towards the re-
7 quired hours of instruction for continued employment, or
8 for appointment, as a law enforcement officer, correctional
9 officer, or correctional probation officer.

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