

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 5131

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Concerning crisis referral services for criminal justice and correctional personnel.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Delvin, Hargrove, Brandland and Regala; by request of Lieutenant Governor).

**Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections**  
**House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness**

**Background:** The Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (CJTC) is a state organization which establishes standards for education and training and provides education and training to law enforcement personnel.

**Summary:** The CJTC must offer training to public safety personnel on personal crisis recognition and crisis intervention services. The training must be a minimum of one hour of classroom or internet instruction, and must include techniques for recognizing underlying causes of personal crises, such as mental health issues, chemical dependency, domestic violence, and financial problems. The CJTC must list examples of public and private crisis referral agencies available to law enforcement personnel and describe the services which are available.

All communications between public safety employees and crisis referral services must be confidential.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	45	0
House	97	0

**Effective:** July 26, 2009

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