HB 879

1	A bill to be entitled					
2	An act relating to mental illness training for law					
3	enforcement officers; creating s. 943.17161, F.S.;					
4	requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to					
5	establish a continued employment training component					
6	relating to mental illness; specifying instruction to					
7	be included in the training component; providing that					
8	completion of the training component may count toward					
9	continued employment or appointment instruction					
10	requirements; providing an effective date.					
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12	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:					
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14	Section 1. Section 943.17161, Florida Statutes, is created					
15	to read:					
16	943.17161 Continued employment training relating to mental					
17	illness.—The department shall establish a continued employment					
18	3 training component relating to mental illness as defined in s.					
19	394.455. The training component must include instruction on the					
20	recognition of the symptoms and characteristics of an individual					
21	with a mental illness and appropriate responses to an individual					
22	exhibiting such symptoms and characteristics. Completion of the					
23	training component may count toward the 40 hours of instruction					
24	for continued employment or appointment as a law enforcement					
25	officer required under s. 943.135.					

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26	Section 2.	This act shall	take effect Octobe	er 1, 2021.
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