

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL

**ORDER
2020-LETC-004**

Pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws Section 23-23-80, South Carolina Code of Laws Section 23-23-100, South Carolina Code of Laws Section 23-23-120, South Carolina Code of Regulations 37-002, and South Carolina Code of Regulations 37-007:

IT IS ORDERED that all law enforcement agencies must:

1. Reimburse an agency, upon request, for training costs;
2. Training costs are defined as: a) Salary; b) benefits, e.g. insurance, taxes, retirement, etc.; c) mileage, if paid, to and from CJA for mandated training; and d) ballistic vest, but only if the officer is authorized to use it at the hiring agency.
3. Mandated training is defined as Basic Law Enforcement Training, Basic Detention Training, and/or Basic Telecommunications Training. Mandated training does not include pre-academy training, except the four (4) weeks of virtual training, or field training.
4. Agencies, upon request, are required to pay one hundred percent of the training costs, as defined above, if the officer is hired within one year of the certification date.
5. Agencies, upon request, are required to pay fifty percent of the training costs, as defined above, if the officer is hired after one year of the certification date but before the end of the second year of the certification date.

Failing to reimburse for training costs, upon request, may subject the agency to a civil penalty of up to \$1,500.00. This Order will become effective January 1, 2021.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.¹



Chief Mark Keel, Chairman
Law Enforcement Training Council
On Behalf of the Law Enforcement Training Council

November 9, 2020

¹ Chief Keel, Sheriff Foster, Director Stirling, Director Adger, Director Boyles, Sheriff Faile, Director Thomas, Chief Taylor, and Captain Gallam voted to approve this Order. Attorney General Wilson and Director Woods were not present at this meeting and did not vote.