

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

TITLE 9. SAFETY

SUBTITLE A. PUBLIC SAFETY

Chapter 763, consisting of Secs. 763.001 to 763.003, was added by Acts 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., Ch. 375 (H.B. 742), Sec. 1.

For another Chapter 763, consisting of Secs. 763.001 to 763.003, added by Acts 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., Ch. 376 (H.B. 754), Sec. 2, see Sec. 763.001 et seq., post.

CHAPTER 763. HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION TRAINING

SUBCHAPTER A. TRAINING FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Sec. 763.001. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

(1) "Commission" means the Health and Human Services Commission.

(2) "Executive commissioner" means the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission.

(3) "First responder" means a public safety employee whose duties include responding rapidly to an emergency. The term:

(A) includes:

(i) fire protection personnel, as defined by Section 419.021, Government Code; and

(ii) emergency medical services personnel, as defined by Section 773.003; and

(B) does not include:

(i) volunteer emergency services personnel;

(ii) an emergency medical services volunteer, as defined by Section 773.003; or

(iii) a peace officer or reserve law enforcement officer, as those terms are defined by Section 1701.001, Occupations Code, who is performing law enforcement duties.

(4) "Human trafficking" means conduct that constitutes an offense under Section 20A.02, Penal Code.

Added by Acts 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., Ch. 375 (H.B. 742), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2025.

Sec. 763.002. REQUIRED HUMAN TRAFFICKING TRAINING. A first responder, within the time prescribed by commission rule, shall successfully complete a training course approved by the executive commissioner on identifying, assisting, and reporting victims of human trafficking.

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Sec. 763.003. TRAINING COURSE APPROVAL. (a) The executive commissioner shall:

(1) approve training courses on human trafficking prevention, including at least one course available without charge; and

(2) post a list of the approved training courses on the commission's Internet website.

(b) The executive commissioner shall update the list of approved training courses described by Subsection (a) as necessary and consider for approval training courses conducted by health care facilities.

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