

1996 SESSION

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 69

Directing the Commission on Family Violence Prevention to assure that training is provided on family violence issues to justice system professionals.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 27, 1996

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 23, 1996

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth has acknowledged that family violence is a serious problem that merits legislative attention, but legislation alone can not adequately address the complex issues involved in family violence; and

WHEREAS, to effectively implement legislation and reduce the incidence of family violence the Commonwealth must enlist the resources and expertise of a broad base of professionals who must receive adequate and comprehensive cross-disciplinary training; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Family Violence Prevention has developed interdisciplinary training materials designed to improve professional responses to family violence; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the Commission on Family Violence Prevention be directed to assure that training is provided for justice system professionals, including judges, Commonwealth's attorneys, law-enforcement officers, clerks, intake officers, and magistrates, on the statutory provisions and procedures related to protective orders and stalking, using materials developed by the Commission.

The Commission shall report on the results of its training effort and make further recommendations, if any, to the Governor and the 1997 Session of the General Assembly as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents.

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