

## HB 1683 -- Emergency Dispatch Operator Training

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This bill specifies that an emergency dispatch operator who gives instructions in accordance with required training regarding self-defense and defense of others will not be liable for any civil damages as a result of giving the instructions unless giving the instructions constitutes willful and wanton misconduct or gross negligence. The giving of the instructions cannot be deemed the practice of law or the giving of legal advice on self-defense or defense of others.

In addition to the training requirements under the 911 Training and Standards Act, any person employed as a telecommunicator must be trained in state laws regarding self-defense and defense of others so that he or she has a basic knowledge of the laws in order to assist a caller who is in imminent threat of serious physical injury or death.