

PROPOSED

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO THE BROWARD COUNTY POLICE AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE REVIEW BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 18-7 OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES ("CODE"); AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by the Board of County Commissioners)

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, Florida ("Commission"), enacted Section 18-7 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances to create the Police and Criminal Justice Review Board ("Review Board");

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2022, the Florida Legislature enacted, and the Governor signed, House Bill 7, Chapter 2022-72, Laws of Florida, which prohibits employers from teaching certain concepts related to race, sex, or national origin as a condition of employment or "membership";

WHEREAS, House Bill 7, which proponents have called the "Stop W.O.K.E. Act," does not prohibit discussion of these concepts in an objective manner without endorsement of the concepts;

WHEREAS, the Commission nevertheless desires to eliminate the requirement that Review Board members attend training addressing racial inequity and implicit bias; and

WHEREAS, such training will remain available to Review Board members who wish to participate voluntarily,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Section 18-7 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 18-7. Broward County Police and Criminal Justice Review Board.

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(c) *Review Board membership.*

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(3) *Training.* Each voting member shall attend training arranged by the County, which will include, at a minimum, an overview of policing and the criminal justice system in Broward County, and one (1) ride-along with a local law enforcement agency, and training addressing racial inequity and implicit bias. In addition, the County Administrator may make available to members optional (voluntary) training covering topics determined by the County Administrator to be pertinent to the function of the Review Board.

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Section 2. Severability.

If any portion of this Ordinance is determined by any court to be invalid, the invalid portion will be stricken, and such striking will not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance. If any court determines that this Ordinance, in whole or in part, cannot be legally applied to any individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance, such determination will not affect the applicability of this Ordinance to any other individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance.

1 Section 3. Inclusion in the Broward County Code of Ordinances.

2 It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of this
3 Ordinance become part of the Broward County Code of Ordinances as of the effective
4 date. The sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word
5 "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or
6 phrase to the extent necessary in order to accomplish such intention.

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8 Section 4. Effective Date.

9 This Ordinance is effective as of the date provided by law.

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11 ENACTED

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12 FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

13 EFFECTIVE

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15 Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:
16 Andrew J. Meyers, County Attorney

17 By /s/ Scott Andron 05/25/2022
18 Scott Andron (date)
19 Assistant County Attorney

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 underscored type are additions.