

To: Senate Government Operations Committee

From: Sheriff Keith Clark

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Re: Recommendations for H.585

The following are suggested changes for issues to be examined by the summer study committee. The current language is located in section (c)

- (1) Current and potential missions, jurisdictions, organization, costs, and funding sources for all state enforcement agencies to include but not limited to the Vermont State Police, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Liquor Control and Department of Motor Vehicles
- (2) Current and potential mission, jurisdiction, organization, costs and funding sources for Sheriffs' Offices
- (3) Current and potential missions, jurisdictions, organization, costs and funding sources for municipal police departments
- (4) (This would replace the current 3) The manner in which law enforcement coverage can be provided statewide during all hours of every day
 - (A) Current language remains
 - (B) Current language remains
 - (C) If and under what criteria should certain municipalities be required to provide for their own policing needs and what options to consider for coverage.
 - (D) if required policing by region or by county would provide a cost effective option for providing law enforcement in the State
 - (E) State should be separated into regions or utilize existing county boundaries for the purpose of dispatch services

Eliminate current (4) Internal VSP reviews of special teams are the best mechanism for determining performance and areas of improvement

Eliminate current (5) Retention was previously studied and should be reexamined after any changes in how law enforcement in the State is structured.

Current (6) issue should be examined only if the Committee determines and recommends significant changes to policing

Eliminate current (7) a Department of Public Safety and Department of Health issue to examine. If it is determined it is in the best interest of the State a budget request would be made to support in-state testing

Eliminate current (8) may require a separate study

Eliminate current (9) The Vermont Sheriff's Association can examine this issue and request statutory language if it determines it is beneficial to do so

Current (10) No position or recommended changes

Eliminate (11) There are many recommendations in previous reports that would be reviewed by studying the aforementioned issues