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2 Introduced by Representatives Sibilgia of Dover and Eastman of Orwell

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Public safety; municipal police; intermunicipal police service
6 agreements; out-of-state police services

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require the
8 Department of Public Safety to pay for 25 percent of the cost to a Vermont
9 municipality of an intermunicipal police services agreement if that
10 municipality is at least 35 miles from the nearest State Police barracks and
11 would receive services under the agreement from an out-of-state municipality.

12 An act relating to Department of Public Safety payments for certain
13 intermunicipal police services agreements

14 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

15 Sec. 1. 24 V.S.A. § 1938 is amended to read:

16 § 1938. INTERMUNICIPAL POLICE SERVICES; PURPOSE;

17 AGREEMENTS

18 (a)(1) Cities, towns, incorporated villages, the University of Vermont,
19 sheriffs, and ~~state~~ State agencies may enter into agreements to provide for
20 intermunicipal police services.

1 (2) Intermunicipal police services include general police services,
2 emergency planning and assistance, task forces, and other specialized
3 investigative units to provide police services within the boundaries of the
4 participating municipalities and counties.

5 (b)(1) The legislative body of each municipality may authorize the chief of
6 police or other designee to provide police resources for intermunicipal police
7 services. The participating ~~municipalities, sheriffs and state agencies~~ entities
8 shall enter into a written agreement ~~which~~ that shall provide for the scope of
9 the mutual services, the powers, duties, and responsibilities of each participant,
10 and the governing authority for officers called for duty under the terms of the
11 agreement. The agreement shall also contain provisions relating to the use of
12 equipment, supplies, and materials during the period of mutual service.

13 (2) Any employee covered by such an agreement shall remain an
14 employee of the donor agency.

15 (c) Agreements entered into under this section shall not be subject to the
16 requirement of chapter 121 of this title.

17 (d)(1) Cities, towns, incorporated villages, the University of Vermont,
18 sheriffs, and ~~state~~ State agencies may enter into agreements under this section
19 with municipalities in the same or adjoining counties and with municipalities
20 in adjoining states.

1 (2)(A) The Department of Public Safety shall be responsible for
2 25 percent of the cost to a Vermont municipality of such an agreement if:

3 (i) the Vermont municipality is located at least 35 miles from the
4 nearest State Police barracks and would receive police services under the
5 agreement; and

6 (ii) the agreement is between that Vermont municipality and an
7 out-of-state municipality.

8 (B) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall make payments to
9 reimburse the Vermont municipality for the amount required under subdivision
10 (A) of this subdivision (2).

11 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

12 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.