

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178

Sec. 1. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

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(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015:

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(17) State House, security enhancements (as described in subsection (i)

of this section): \$250,000.00

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Sec. 26. CAPITOL COMPLEX SECURITY; WORKING GROUP;

REVIEW

(a) Creation. There is created a working group for the purpose of assessing security in the Capitol Complex. The Working Group may authorize or retain consultant services to conduct a review and prepare a report on security in the Capitol Complex, including reviewing current security arrangements and governance options, and identifying possible security enhancements. Any consultants retained pursuant to this subsection shall work through the Joint Fiscal Office under the direction of the Chair of the Working Group.

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(b) Membership.

(1) The Working Group shall be composed of the following members:

(A) the Lieutenant Governor;

(B) the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services or
designee;

(C) a representative of the Capitol Police;

(D) the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and
Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions;

(E) the Sergeant at Arms; and

(F) the Court Administrator or designee.

(2) The Lieutenant Governor shall be the Chair of the Working Group
and shall convene meetings.

(3) The Working Group shall have the assistance of the staff of the
Office of Legislative Council and the Joint Fiscal Office.

(4) The Joint Fiscal Office, in consultation with the Speaker of the
House and the Committee on Committees, shall hire one or more consultants to
undertake the security review authorized by this section.

(c) Funding. The working group is authorized to use funds appropriated in
Sec. 1(c)(17) of this act to retain consultant services pursuant to subsection (a)
of this section. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any remaining
funds shall be reallocated to the FY 2016 Capital Construction Act for the
purpose of implementing the recommendations contained in the security

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report. Any remaining funds shall only be appropriated to implement a recommendation with authorization of the General Assembly.

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Sec. 20. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(a) The sum of \$120,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Office of Legislative Council to hire consultant services for upgrades to the International Roll Call (IRC) program, as described in Sec. 47 of this act.

(b) The sum of \$60,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Joint Fiscal Office to hire consultant services for a security and safety protocol for the State House, as described in Sec. 46 of this act.

Total Appropriation – Section 20 \$180,000.00

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Sec. 46. STATE HOUSE SECURITY

(a) The Capitol Complex Security Working Group, established in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178, Sec. 26, may retain consultant services to create a security and safety protocol and conduct trainings for the State House and One Baldwin Street. Any consultants retained pursuant to this subsection shall work through the Joint Fiscal Office under the direction of the Chair of the Working Group.

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(b) The Joint Fiscal Office, in consultation with the Speaker of the House and the Committee on Committees, shall hire the consultants to undertake the security protocol authorized in subsection (a) of this section. The Joint Fiscal Office is authorized to use funds appropriated in Sec. 20 of this act and 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2(c)(17), as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178, Sec. 1, to retain consultant services.

2016 Acts and Resolves No.88

No. 88. An act relating to security in the Capitol Complex.

(H.183)

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

Sec. 1. 2 V.S.A. chapter 30 is added to read:

CHAPTER 30. CAPITOL COMPLEX SECURITY ADVISORY

COMMITTEE

§ 991. CAPITOL COMPLEX SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(a) Creation. There is created an advisory committee for the purpose of:

(1) reviewing and coordinating security in the Capitol Complex; and

(2) enhancing communication, operability, and efficiency on security

issues in the Capitol Complex among the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches.

(b) Membership.

(1) The Committee shall be composed of the following members:

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(A) the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services or designee;

(B) the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee;

(C) the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or designee;

(D) the Chief of the Capitol Police or designee;

(E) the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions;

(F) the Sergeant at Arms;

(G) the Court Administrator or designee; and

(H) the Chief of the Montpelier Police Department or designee.

(2) In the first year, the Chair of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions shall serve as Chair of the Committee and the Chair of the Senate Committee on Institutions shall serve as Vice Chair. Annually thereafter, the offices of Chair and Vice Chair shall rotate between the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

(3) The Committee shall have the assistance of the staff of the Office of Legislative Council and the Joint Fiscal Office.

(c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall:

(1) review proposed security enhancements and security plans for the Capitol Complex, and make recommendations to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions;

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(2) review the coordination of security plans and law enforcement services in the Capitol Complex among the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, the Court Administrator, and the Sergeant at Arms; and

(3) annually review the memorandum of understanding coordinating the provision of security plans and law enforcement activities in the Capitol Complex, as required by 29 V.S.A. § 171(f).

(d) Meetings. The Committee may meet at any time at the call of the Co-Chairs, but no more than two times when the General Assembly is not in session.

(e) Reimbursement. For attendance at meetings during adjournment of the General Assembly, legislative members of the Committee shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 406.

(f) Definition. As used in this section, "Capitol Complex" shall have the same meaning as in 29 V.S.A. § 182.

Sec. 2. 2 V.S.A. § 70(c) is amended to read:

(c) Coordination of Capitol Complex security. The Capitol Police Department shall ~~coordinate~~ provide security within the State House and assist the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services in providing security and law enforcement services within the Capitol Complex, ~~as delineated in a memorandum of understanding signed by the Commissioner and the Sergeant at Arms no later than June 30, 2000, and as subsequently amended. In all other~~

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~~areas of the Capitol Complex, except the space occupied by the Supreme Court, the security, control of traffic, and coordination of law enforcement activity shall be under the direction of the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, with which the Capitol Police Department may assist pursuant to the memorandum of understanding required by 29 V.S.A. § 171(f).~~

Sec. 3. 29 V.S.A. § 171 is amended to read:

§ 171. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY

(a) ~~The commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall be responsible for ensuring the security of all ~~state~~ State facilities, regardless of funding source for construction or renovation, the lands upon which those facilities are located, and the occupants of those facilities and places, except that:

(1) in those ~~state-owned~~ State-owned or ~~state-leased~~ State-leased buildings which house a court plus one or more other functions, security for the space occupied by the court shall be under the jurisdiction of the ~~supreme court~~ Supreme Court and security elsewhere shall be under the jurisdiction of the ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services;

(2) in those buildings which function exclusively as courthouses, security shall be under the jurisdiction of the ~~supreme court~~ Supreme Court;

(3) the space occupied by the ~~supreme court~~ Supreme Court shall be under the jurisdiction of the ~~supreme court~~ Supreme Court; and

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(4) in the ~~state house~~ State House, security shall be under the jurisdiction of the ~~sergeant-at-arms~~ Sergeant at Arms.

(b) The ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall develop a security plan for each facility, except for those under the jurisdiction of the ~~supreme court~~ Supreme Court and of the ~~sergeant-at-arms~~ Sergeant at Arms, and shall regularly update these plans as necessary and be responsible for coordinating responses to all security needs. The ~~supreme court and the sergeant-at-arms shall, in cooperation with the commissioner of buildings and general services,~~ Supreme Court and the Sergeant at Arms shall, in cooperation with the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, prepare and update such plans for the facilities under their respective jurisdictions.

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(f) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, the Sergeant at Arms, and the Court Administrator shall execute a memorandum of understanding to coordinate the provision of security plans and law enforcement services within the Capitol Complex. The memorandum of understanding shall incorporate any existing agreements related to the provision of law enforcement services or security in the Capitol Complex. As used in this section, "Capitol Complex" shall have the same meaning as used in section 182 of this title.

Sec. 3a. REPEAL

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2 V.S.A. chapter 30 (Capitol Complex Security Advisory Committee) is
repealed on June 30, 2019.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.