

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Government Operations to which was referred House Bill
3 No. 8 entitled “An act relating to the oversight of the transfer of military
4 equipment to law enforcement agencies” respectfully reports that it has
5 considered the same and recommends that the bill be amended by striking out
6 all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 24 V.S.A. § 1943 is added to read:

8 § 1943. TRANSFERS OF FEDERAL MILITARY PROPERTY TO LAW
9 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

10 (a) Any municipal police department that applies to receive from the
11 federal government a dangerous or deadly weapon as defined in 13 V.S.A.
12 § 4016(a)(2) or any armored or mine-protected vehicle shall notify each
13 legislative body of a municipality for which it provides law enforcement
14 services within 15 days of the application.

15 (b) Any sheriff’s department that applies to receive from the federal
16 government a dangerous or deadly weapon as defined in 13 V.S.A.
17 § 4016(a)(2) or any armored or mine-protected vehicle, shall notify each
18 municipality for which the sheriff’s department provides law enforcement
19 services within 15 days of the application.

1 Sec. 2. 32 V.S.A. § 810 is added to read:

2 § 810. AUDITING OF FEDERAL MILITARY PROPERTY TRANSFERS
3 TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

4 Annually, the State Auditor of Accounts shall examine the records of all
5 property acquired by a State or local law enforcement agency transferred
6 through the U.S. Department of Defense excess personal property program
7 established in 10 U.S.C. § 2576a.

8 and that after passage the title of the bill be amended to read: “An act relating
9 to the oversight of the transfer of federal military property to law enforcement
10 agencies”

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13 (Committee vote: _____)

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Representative _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE