

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Corrections and Institutions to which was referred
3 House Bill No. 183 entitled “An act relating to security in the Capitol
4 Complex” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends
5 that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and
6 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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

8 CHAPTER 30. CAPITOL COMPLEX SECURITY ADVISORY

9 COMMITTEE

10 § 991. CAPITOL COMPLEX SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

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

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

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

16 (b) Membership.

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

18 (A) the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services or

19 designee;

20 (B) the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee;

21 (C) the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or designee;

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

2 (E) the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and

3 Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions;

4 (F) the Sergeant at Arms;

5 (G) the Court Administrator or designee; and

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

7 (2) The Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions

8 and the Senate Committee on Institutions shall co-chair the Committee.

9 (3) The Committee shall have the assistance of the staff of the Office of

10 Legislative Council and the Joint Fiscal Office.

11 (c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall:

12 (1) review proposed security enhancements and security plans for the

13 Capitol Complex, and make recommendations to the House Committee on

14 Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions;

15 (2) review the coordination of security plans and law enforcement

16 services in the Capitol Complex among the Commissioner of Buildings and

17 General Services, the Court Administrator, and the Sergeant at Arms; and

18 (3) annually review the memorandum of understanding coordinating the

19 provision of security plans and law enforcement activities in the Capitol

20 Complex, as required by 29 V.S.A. § 171(f).

1 (d) Meetings. The Committee may meet at any time at the call of the
2 Co-Chairs, but no less than one time per year.

3 (e) Reimbursement. For attendance at meetings during adjournment of the
4 General Assembly, legislative members of the Committee shall be entitled to
5 per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A.
6 § 406.

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

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

10 (c) Coordination of Capitol Complex security. The Capitol Police
11 Department shall ~~coordinate~~ provide security within the State House and assist
12 the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services in providing security and
13 law enforcement services within the Capitol Complex, ~~as delineated in a~~
14 ~~memorandum of understanding signed by the Commissioner and the Sergeant~~
15 ~~at Arms no later than June 30, 2000, and as subsequently amended. In all other~~
16 ~~areas of the Capitol Complex, except the space occupied by the Supreme~~
17 ~~Court, the security, control of traffic, and coordination of law enforcement~~
18 ~~activity shall be under the direction of the Commissioner of Buildings and~~
19 ~~General Services, with which the Capitol Police Department may assist~~
20 pursuant to the memorandum of understanding required by 29 V.S.A. § 171(f).

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

2 § 171. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY

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

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

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

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

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

20 (b) The ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of
21 Buildings and General Services shall develop a security plan for each facility,

1 except for those under the jurisdiction of the ~~supreme court~~ Supreme Court and
2 of the ~~sergeant at arms~~ Sergeant at Arms, and shall regularly update these plans
3 as necessary and be responsible for coordinating responses to all security
4 needs. The ~~supreme court and the sergeant at arms shall, in cooperation with~~
5 ~~the commissioner of buildings and general services,~~ Supreme Court and the
6 Sergeant at Arms shall, in cooperation with the Commissioner of Buildings
7 and General Services, prepare and update such plans for the facilities under
8 their respective jurisdictions.

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

18 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

19 This act shall take effect on passage.

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1 (Committee vote: _____)

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Representative _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE