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An act relating to creating two temporary, part-time cold case investigator positions

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

Sec. 1. VERMONT STATE POLICE; COLD CASE INVESTIGATORS,
TEMPORARY, PART-TIME POSITIONS; REPORT

(a) Two temporary, part-time positions; cold case investigators.

(1) Creation. The following positions are created within the Vermont State Police using existing Department of Public Safety financial resources: two temporary, part-time Cold Case Investigator positions, with each investigator working no more than the equivalent of a 0.4 full-time State employee.

(2) Expertise; duties. The cold case investigators shall be former law enforcement officers with expertise in homicide and missing person investigations and shall have the duty to investigate unsolved crimes and missing persons.

(3) Elimination. These two temporary positions are eliminated effective on July 1, 2020.

(b) Commissioner of Public Safety; report on cold case investigations. Annually, on or before January 15, beginning in the year 2018 and ending in the year 2020, the Commissioner of Public Safety shall report to the House and

Senate Committees on Government Operations and on Appropriations
regarding the use of the cold case investigators described in subsection (a) of
this section and the Commissioner's recommendations regarding how the State
should handle cold case investigations.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.