

15 V.S.A. § 1151(5)

(5) "Law enforcement agency" means the Department of Public Safety, a municipal police department, a sheriff's department, the Attorney General's Office, a State's Attorney's Office, or certified law enforcement officers of the Department of Motor Vehicles, Agency of Natural Resources, or Department of Liquor Control. "Law enforcement agency" shall also mean the Department for Children and Families when engaged in:

(A) the investigation of child abuse and neglect;

(B) the delivery of services to families and children with whom the Department is working pursuant to the provisions of 33 V.S.A. chapters 51, 52, and 53; or

(C) the performance of the Department's responsibilities pursuant to an interstate compact to which the State is a party.

(6) "Law enforcement purpose" means all matters relating to:

(A) the prevention, investigation, prosecution, or adjudication of criminal offenses, civil matters, or juvenile matters;

(B) the investigation, prosecution, adjudication, detention, supervision, or correction of persons suspected, charged, or convicted of criminal offenses or juvenile delinquencies;

(C) the protection of the general health, welfare, and safety of the public or the State of Vermont;

(D) the execution and enforcement of court orders;

(E) service of criminal or civil process or court orders;

(F) screening for criminal justice employment;

(G) other actions taken in performance of official duties, as set forth by statutes, rules, policies, judicial case law, and the U.S. and Vermont Constitutions; and

(H) criminal identification activities, including the collection, storage, and dissemination of criminal history records, as defined in 20 V.S.A. § 2056a(a)(1), sex offender registry information, and DNA material and information.