

Legislative History of the Capitol Complex Security Advisory Committee

Act No.	Language	Notes
<p>2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178</p>	<p>Sec. 26. CAPITOL COMPLEX SECURITY; WORKING GROUP; REVIEW</p> <p><u>(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.</u></p> <p><u>(b) Membership.</u></p> <p><u>(1) The Working Group shall be composed of the following members:</u></p> <p><u>(A) the Lieutenant Governor;</u></p> <p><u>(B) the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services or designee;</u></p> <p><u>(C) a representative of the Capitol Police;</u></p> <p><u>(D) the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions;</u></p> <p><u>(E) the Sergeant at Arms; and</u></p> <p><u>(F) the Court Administrator or designee.</u></p> <p><u>(2) The Lieutenant Governor shall be the Chair of the Working Group and shall convene meetings.</u></p> <p><u>(3) The Working Group shall have the assistance of the staff of the Office of Legislative Council and the Joint Fiscal Office.</u></p> <p><u>(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.</u></p> <p><u>(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 report. Any remaining funds shall only be appropriated to implement a recommendation with authorization of the General Assembly.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$250,000.00 appropriation in FY 2015 for State House security enhancements. • Capitol Complex Physical Security and Capitol Police Assessment • Security Assessment Briefing
<p>2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26</p>	<p>Sec. 46. STATE HOUSE SECURITY</p> <p><u>(a) The Capitol Complex Security Working Group, established in 2014</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$60,000.00 appropriation in FY 2016 to JFO to hire

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	<p><u>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.</u></p> <p><u>(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.</u></p>	<p>consultant services for a security and safety protocol for the State House</p>
<p>2016 Acts and Resolves No. 88</p>	<p><u>§ 991. CAPITOL COMPLEX SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE</u></p> <p><u>(a) Creation. There is created an advisory committee for the purpose of:</u></p> <p><u>(1) reviewing and coordinating security in the Capitol Complex; and</u></p> <p><u>(2) enhancing communication, operability, and efficiency on security issues in the Capitol Complex among the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches.</u></p> <p><u>(b) Membership.</u></p> <p><u>(1) The Committee shall be composed of the following members:</u></p> <p><u>(A) the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services or designee;</u></p> <p><u>(B) the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee;</u></p> <p><u>(C) the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or designee;</u></p> <p><u>(D) the Chief of the Capitol Police or designee;</u></p> <p><u>(E) the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions;</u></p> <p><u>(F) the Sergeant at Arms;</u></p> <p><u>(G) the Court Administrator or designee; and</u></p> <p><u>(H) the Chief of the Montpelier Police Department or designee.</u></p> <p><u>(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.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capitol Complex Security Advisory Committee is repealed on June 30, 2019.

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	<p><u>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.</u></p> <p><u>(3) The Committee shall have the assistance of the staff of the Office of Legislative Council and the Joint Fiscal Office.</u></p> <p><u>(c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall:</u></p> <p><u>(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;</u></p> <p><u>(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</u></p> <p><u>(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).</u></p> <p><u>(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.</u></p> <p><u>(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.</u></p> <p><u>(f) Definition. As used in this section, “Capitol Complex” shall have the same meaning as in 29 V.S.A. § 182.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>§ 171. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p><u>(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</u></p>	

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	<p><u>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.</u></p>	
<p>2016 Acts and Resolves No. 160</p>	<p><u>(a) The Sergeant at Arms is authorized to use funds appropriated in Sec. 15 of this act to:</u></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>(1) install a remote lockdown system for doors to the State House;</u> <u>(2) conduct trainings at the State House; and</u> <u>(3) install seven security cameras in the State House.</u></p> <p><u>(b) The Sergeant at Arms shall consult with the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services on the design and installation of the security enhancements described in subsection (a) of this section.</u></p> <p><u>(c) On or before August 1, 2016, the Sergeant at Arms shall develop lockdown guidelines and a camera use and data retention policy and procedure for the State House. The lockdown guidelines and camera use and data retention policy and procedure shall only become effective after majority approval of the Senate President Pro Tempore or designee, the Speaker of the House or designee, and the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions. No cameras shall be installed until the camera use and data retention policy and procedure have been approved.</u></p> <p><u>(d) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the cameras described in subdivision (a)(3) of this section shall be installed at the entrances of the State House and shall be fixed on points of ingress.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriated in FY 17 \$145,000 to the Sergeant at Arms for security enhancements in the State House. • Reallocated to the Sergeant at Arms any remaining funds from the \$60,000 appropriated in FY 2016 for the security and safety protocol. • Camera use policy and data retention procedures