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Act No. 165 (S.119). Government operations law enforcement; use of force

An act relating to a statewide standard and policy for law enforcement use of force

This act creates a statutory statewide standard for law enforcement use of force, including deadly force; directs the Department for Public Safety and the Executive Director of Racial Equity to report to the General Assembly in February 2021 on the process and outcome of their work to develop a statewide model use of force policy for law enforcement; prohibits the Criminal Justice Council from offering or approving training on the use of certain types of restraints; and amends the justifiable homicide statute to align it with the new standards for law enforcement use of force.

Multiple effective dates, beginning on October 7, 2020