

1 S.219

2 Introduced by Senator Baruth

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: State grant funding; law enforcement; roadside stop data

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to impose
7 additional review on the approval of State grant funding to law enforcement
8 agencies to ensure compliance with race data reporting requirements.

9 An act relating to requiring law enforcement to comply with race data
10 reporting requirements in order to receive State grant funding

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

12 Sec. 1. 32 V.S.A. § 5 is amended to read:

13 § 5. ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS

14 (a) Definitions. As used in this section:

15 (1) "Loan" means a loan that is interest free or below market value.

16 (2) "State agency" means an Executive Branch agency, department,
17 commission, or board.

18 (b) Executive Branch approval.

19 (1) Approval required. A State agency shall not accept the original of
20 any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money, or thing of value except as follows:

1 (A) the State agency is granted approval pursuant to this subsection;

2 or

3 (B) Joint Fiscal Committee policies adopted pursuant to subsection
4 (e) of this section do not require a State agency to obtain approval.

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6 (6) Law enforcement. With respect to acceptance of a discretionary
7 State grant for any law enforcement agency or constable, the provisions of
8 subdivision (1) of this subsection shall apply, except that in addition,
9 notification of the Governor's approval shall also be made to the Office of the
10 Attorney General, and such grant shall be subject to the approval of the
11 Attorney General. The Attorney General shall approve the grant only if the
12 law enforcement agency or constable has, within six months prior to the date
13 of the Governor's approval, complied with the race data reporting requirements
14 set forth in 20 V.S.A. § 2366(e).

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16 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

17 This act shall take effect on passage.