

Madam Chair,

I respectfully ask that this testimony be entered on record.

Respectfully,

Mark

On Wed, Feb 27, 2019 at 2:44 PM Mark Hughes <[mark@justiceforallvt.org](mailto:mark@justiceforallvt.org)> wrote:  
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Madam Chair and House Judiciary Committee,

We have reviewed the proposed modifications to FIPP offered by the Assistant Attorney General and we agree with the essence of the intent.

We do however do have concern surrounding the extent to which this proposed bill could lend way to the creation of FIPPs that conflict with **8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644** As per 20 V.S.A. § 2366(f) cited below, **this would abolish such policy, leaving all protected categories exposed with no FIPP.**

"Sec. 4. 20 V.S.A. § 2366(f) is added to read: (f) Nothing in this section is intended to prohibit or impede any public agency from complying with the lawful requirements of 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644. **To the extent any State or local law enforcement policy or practice conflicts with the lawful requirements of 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644, that policy or practice is, to the extent of the conflict, abolished.**"

Should you have any question regarding this testimony, feel free to contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony regarding this aspect of 20 V.S.A. § 2366. I look forward to returning to discuss **H.464**; relating to law enforcement training on appropriate use of force and **H.465**; relating to prohibiting racial profiling and expanding the Human Rights Commission.

Be well.

Respectfully,

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