TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred Senate Bill No. 219 entitled “An act relating to addressing racial bias and excessive use of force by law enforcement” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate concur with the House proposal of amendment with further amendments as follows:

1. **First:** In Sec. 1, legislative intent, in subsection (a), in the fourth sentence, by striking out the words “within the next five years”

2. **Second:** In Sec. 1, legislative intent, by striking out subdivision (c)(2) in its entirety and renumbering the remaining subdivisions to be numerically correct.

3. **Third:** In Sec. 1, legislative intent, in subdivision (c)(3) after “mental health issues;” by inserting and and by striking out subdivision (c)(4) in its entirety and renumbering the remaining subdivision to be numerically correct.

4. **Fourth:** In Sec. 7, 20 V.S.A. § 1818, after “on his or her person” by inserting the words and that the device is recording whenever the officer has contact with the public for law enforcement purposes

5. **Fifth:** In Sec. 8, Department of Public Safety; video recording devices; ongoing costs, after “initiate the acquisition” by inserting the words and deployment

6. **Sixth:** In Sec. 8, Department of Public Safety; video recording devices; ongoing costs, in the second sentence, by striking out “FY22 budget proposal”
to the General Assembly” and inserting in lieu thereof FY21 budget proposal to the General Assembly in August of 2020

Seventh: By striking out Sec. 9 and its reading assistance heading in their entireties and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

* * * Repeal and Effective Dates * * *

Sec. 9. REPEAL

13 V.S.A. § 2305(3) (justifiable homicide) is repealed on July 1, 2021.

Eighth: In Sec. 10, effective dates, by striking out subsections (c) and (d) in their entireties and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(c) Sec. 6 (law enforcement use of prohibited restraint) shall take effect on October 1, 2020.

(d) Sec. 7 (equipment of officers with video recording devices) shall take effect on August 1, 2020.

(e) The remaining sections shall take effect on passage.

(Committee vote: ___________)

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