PROPOSED CAPITAL BILL LANGUAGE REGARDING REAL TIME THREAT
NOTIFICATION APPLICATION PILOT PROGRAM
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Sec. XX. PILOT PROGRAM FOR REAL-TIME THREAT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR
SCHOOLS

(a) Creation. There is created the Real Time Threat Notification Application Pilot Program to be administered by the Department of Public Safety in coordination with the Agency of Education. The amount appropriated in Sec. XX of this act shall be used to fund the program.

(b) Selection of a Vendor. The Department of Public Safety shall solicit proposals and select a vendor of a threat notification application based on the following criteria:

1. The application can be activated by authorized school staff personnel using classroom desktop computers, laptop computers, and mobile phones.

2. Upon activation, the application determines the location of the nearest law enforcement officers, regardless of jurisdiction, and directly notifies them of the activation.

3. The application also notifies the following state and local agencies of the activation:

    i. Vermont state police.

    ii. The relevant sheriff's department.

    iii. The relevant local law enforcement agency.

    iv. The division of emergency management of the department of public safety.

    v. The commissioner of the department of public safety, or the commissioner's designee.

    vi. The appropriate local and/or regional enhanced 911 public safety answering point and dispatch center for the school.

4. The application provides electronic school floor plans and related documents to responding officers.

5. The application provides a communication method for responding officers to communicate with school personnel.

6. The application provides a means for school personnel to communicate with each other.

7. The application provides a means for law enforcement to reversely notify school leadership personnel of a possible threat or other emergency.

(c) Use of funds. The funds authorized in section XX shall be used for the installation of the threat notification application selected pursuant to the process established in subsection (b) of this section at schools selected by the department of public safety and the law enforcement agencies that provide law enforcement services to the selected schools, Vermont emergency management, the commissioner of the department of public safety, or the commissioner's designee, and the appropriate local and/or regional enhanced 911 public safety answering points and dispatch centers for the selected schools.

(d) Guidelines. In selecting schools for the installation of the threat notification application selected pursuant to the process established in subsection (b) of this section the department of public safety shall consider the geographic location of schools in relation to the jurisdictions of local law enforcement agencies, sheriff's departments and state police field stations with the goal of having as many schools equipped with the threat notification application served by as few local law enforcement agencies, sheriff's departments and state police field stations that are equipped with the threat notification application as possible.