

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred House Bill No. 518
3 entitled “An act relating to fair and impartial policing” respectfully reports that
4 it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate propose to the
5 House that the bill be amended by striking out Sec. 2 in its entirety and
6 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 2. JOINT LEGISLATIVE JUSTICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE;
8 CIVIL RIGHTS WORKING GROUP; REPORT

9 (a) During the 2019 legislative interim, the Office of the Attorney General
10 shall convene and facilitate a working group of representatives from the
11 Human Rights Commission, the Vermont chapter of the American Civil
12 Liberties Union, the Criminal Justice Training Council, Migrant Justice, the
13 Vermont Police Association, the Vermont Sheriffs’ Association, the Vermont
14 Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Vermont State Police. The working
15 group shall collaboratively establish an outreach and education strategy to
16 inform Vermonters of the resources available to protect civil rights pursuant to
17 State laws that prohibit discrimination, including the right to file a complaint
18 with the Human Rights Commission, the Civil Rights Unit of the Office of the
19 Attorney General, law enforcement agencies, and the Criminal Justice Training
20 Council.

1 (b) On or before November 1, 2019, the working group established
2 pursuant to this section shall report to the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight
3 Committee and the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary and on
4 Government Operations on their work pursuant to subsection (a) of this section
5 and recommendations for legislative action to protect marginalized populations
6 in Vermont.

7 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

8 This act shall take effect on passage.

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(Committee vote: _____)

Senator _____

FOR THE COMMITTEE