

S.250

An act relating to law enforcement data collection and interrogation

The Senate concurs in the House proposal of amendment with the following proposal of amendment thereto:

First: By striking out Sec. 1, 20 V.S.A. § 2366, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 1 to read as follows:

Sec. 1. 20 V.S.A. § 2366 is amended to read:

§ 2366. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES; FAIR AND IMPARTIAL
POLICING POLICY; RACE DATA COLLECTION

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(4) The data provided pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection shall be posted electronically in a manner that is analyzable and accessible to the public on the receiving agency's website and clear and understandable. The receiving agency shall also report the data annually ~~to the General Assembly,~~ on or before December 1, to the House and Senate Committees on Government Operations and on Judiciary and the Executive Director of Racial Equity. The report shall detail how the data is collected, how the data is accessible, how the data is used by the law enforcement agency, a review of the data to determine if additional data criteria is needed, and any recommendations to improve data collection and use.

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Second: By adding a Sec. 1a to read as follows:

Sec. 1a. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; LAW ENFORCEMENT

DATA COLLECTION; REPORT

(a) On or before November 1, 2023, the Department of Public Safety shall submit a report concerning the ability of law enforcement agencies to collect data during law enforcement encounters. The report shall specify:

(1) the data currently collected, including law enforcement’s capabilities and methods of collection;

(2) any suggested data collection criteria;

(3) any impediments to collecting data;

(4) proposed remedies to resolve any impediments; and

(5) a recommended definition of “law enforcement encounter.”

(b) The report shall be submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Government Operations and on Judiciary and the Executive Director of Racial Equity.

(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the report’s definition of “law enforcement encounter” and data criteria suggestions should be considered for codification into law by the General Assembly during the 2024 legislative session.

Third: In Sec. 4, study on deceptive and coercive methods of law enforcement interrogation; report, in subsection (b), in the third sentence, following “legislation” by inserting , if any