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Act No. 115 (H.171). An act relating to criminal justice agency protocols for an officer-involved shooting

Subjects: Law enforcement; Attorney General; investigation

This act directs the Office of the Attorney General, the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs, the Department of Public Safety, and the Vermont Association of Chiefs of Police to work collaboratively to identify a protocol and best practices for independent investigations of an officer-involved shooting (OIS). The entities are required to submit one written report to the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary on or before December 1, 2026, detailing their work, an agreed-upon protocol for an OIS investigation, and any legislative changes necessary, including appropriations, to effectuate the protocol.

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