



General Assembly

January Session, 2023

**Raised Bill No. 6909**

LCO No. 4006



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT  
ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

**AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY OUTREACH BY STATE  
AGENCIES REGARDING APPROPRIATE TERMINOLOGY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2023*) (a) As used in this  
2 section, "state agency" means any department, board, council,  
3 commission, institution or other executive branch agency of state  
4 government, including, but not limited to, each constituent unit and  
5 each public institution of higher education.

6 (b) Prior to a state agency commencing the use of any term to  
7 describe or identify a particular community based on ethnicity,  
8 religious affiliation, race, gender identity or sexual orientation in an  
9 official communication to the public or on a form to be completed by  
10 the public, the state agency shall attempt to solicit feedback from the  
11 members or representatives of such community regarding whether the  
12 use of such term is appropriate.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	New section
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**GAE**      *Joint Favorable*