



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5398

LCO No. 1778



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:

(PS)

***AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS
USED BY PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL AND PRIVACY CONCERNS.***

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Division of State-wide
2 Emergency Telecommunications within the Department of Emergency
3 Services and Public Protection shall study the policies and practices
4 related to the use of communication systems among public safety
5 personnel, identify any concerns regarding the sharing of private
6 information, such as health information, through such systems, and
7 recommend appropriate changes to such policies and practices
8 regarding the sharing of such information. In conducting such study,
9 the division shall consult with the Emergency Medical Services
10 Advisory Board, established pursuant to section 19a-178a of the general
11 statutes, the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control, established
12 pursuant to section 7-323k of the general statutes, and the Police Officer
13 Standards and Training Council, established pursuant to section 7-294b
14 of the general statutes.

15 (b) Not later than January 1, 2025, the division shall submit a report,

16 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
17 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
18 cognizance of matters relating to public safety and security. Such report
19 shall include the results of the study conducted pursuant to subsection
20 (a) of this section and any recommendations for changes to statutes,
21 policies and practices related to the use of communication systems
22 among public safety personnel.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require a study of the use of communication systems by public safety personnel and the sharing of private information.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]