

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 5490

January Session, 2023



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by: REP. HORN, 64th Dist.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM REGARDING COLLECTION AND REFERRAL OF INFORMATION ON HATE CRIMES, BIAS INCIDENTS AND CRIMES WITH BIAS ELEMENTS.

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

- 1 That a two-year pilot program be established, on or after July 1, 2023,
- 2 requiring the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection,
- 3 or another appropriate state agency, within available appropriations, to
- 4 operate a state-wide community-oriented hate crimes reporting system
- 5 that collects and refers information on hate crimes, bias incidents and
- 6 crimes with bias elements in cooperation with existing community
- 7 organizations that collect or respond to hate crime and incident
- 8 information reported by individuals.

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a pilot program to standardize and streamline the collection of data on hate crimes, bias incidents and crimes with bias incidents in order to assist law enforcement with investigation and prosecution of these crimes.

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