

HR 5221

Preventing Tragedies Between Police and Communities Act of 2016

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 12, 2016)

Preventing Tragedies Between Police and Communities Act of 2016

This bill requires a state or local government that receives funding under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program to train law enforcement officers on de-escalation techniques. The Department of Justice (DOJ) may reduce by up to 20% the JAG allocation of a state or local government that fails to comply.

DOJ must collect data on the efforts of state and local governments to enhance de-escalation training for law enforcement officers.

Additionally, a state or local government that receives JAG program funding must enact a law, policy, or procedure that establishes an affirmative duty on a law enforcement officer to use de-escalation techniques. DOJ must reduce by 15% the JAG allocation of a state or local government that fails to enact such law, policy, or procedure.

DOJ must issue guidance on compliance with these requirements.

Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **May 12, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **May 12, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.