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Public Act No. 23-146

AN ACT REQUIRING COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLES.

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

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) On or before October 1, 2023, and on a quarterly basis thereafter, except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, each municipal law enforcement unit shall hold a meeting with stakeholders in the municipality such unit serves. The unit shall invite to such meetings, at a minimum, representatives from social services and mental health agencies and organizations that serve the municipality, representatives from organizations that seek to combat gun violence in the municipality, representatives from the judicial branch and one or more prosecutors serving the judicial district that includes the municipality. Such meetings shall seek to: (1) Encourage information sharing, including collection and sharing of data, among meeting participants; (2) develop partnerships and coordinated strategies among participants to reduce gun violence and crime in the municipality; and (3) improve the responsiveness and accountability of the law enforcement unit to the residents of the municipality, and improve the responsiveness of and provision of services by meeting participants to the residents of the municipality, in order to better serve the municipality and reduce gun violence and crime in the municipality. Such meetings may occur more frequently

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than quarterly as determined by the unit. Such meetings shall be open to the public.

(b) If the chief of a municipal law enforcement unit, the chief executive officer, as described in section 7-193 of the general statutes, of the municipality served by such law enforcement unit and the civilian police review board serving such municipality, if any, agree that a meeting required by subsection (a) of this section is unnecessary, such meeting shall not be held.