

1 H.560

2 Introduced by Representative Wizowaty of Burlington

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Public institutions and corrections; purposes, construction, and
6 general definitions; restorative justice

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require law
8 enforcement agencies to develop policies to resolve conflicts in the community
9 and address misconduct without making arrests or filing criminal charges.

10 An act relating to requiring law enforcement agencies to develop policies to
11 resolve conflicts in the community and address misconduct without making
12 arrests or filing criminal charges

13 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

14 Sec. 1. 28 V.S.A. § 2a(c) is added to read:

15 (c) On or before January 1, 2015, every State, local, county, and municipal
16 law enforcement agency that employs one or more certified law enforcement
17 officers shall develop policies and programs for resolving conflicts in the
18 community, and for addressing misconduct by individuals, without making
19 arrests or filing criminal charges.

20 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

21 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.