General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 5718

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPANSION OF THE CRISIS INITIATIVE PILOT PROGRAM THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

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

That the general statutes be amended to require that, not later than January 1, 2026, the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in conjunction with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, (1) expand throughout the state the pilot program known as the CRISIS Initiative: Connection to Recovery through Intervention, Support and Initiating Services, and (2) at a minimum, include as part of such expanded program components of the pilot program that require training for state police officers, coordination between state police officers and mental health professionals and referrals to facilities for mental health services.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that police officers throughout the state have the proper training and resources when dealing with someone who is in distress.