

# HOUSE BILL 809

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By: **Delegate Haynes**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Use of Force De–Escalation Training of Law Enforcement**  
3 **Officers – Reports**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a certain law enforcement agency to report at a certain  
5 interval to the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services on  
6 certain policies and procedures related to use of force de–escalation training for its  
7 law enforcement officers; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention,  
8 Youth, and Victim Services to adopt procedures for the collection, analysis, and  
9 compilation of certain use of force de–escalation training information received from  
10 a certain law enforcement agency; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime  
11 Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to submit a certain report at a certain  
12 interval that compiles certain information received from a certain law enforcement  
13 agency; and generally relating to use of force de–escalation training.

14 BY adding to

15 Article – Public Safety

16 Section 3–523

17 Annotated Code of Maryland

18 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
20 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

21 **Article – Public Safety**

22 **3–523.**

23 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY” HAS THE MEANING**  
24 **STATED IN § 2–101 OF THIS TITLE.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(B) BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021, AND EVERY 2 YEARS THEREAFTER, EACH**  
2 **LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL PROVIDE THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF**  
3 **CRIME PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND VICTIM SERVICES WITH THE LOCAL LAW**  
4 **ENFORCEMENT AGENCY'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ON USE OF FORCE**  
5 **DE-ESCALATION TRAINING FOR ITS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, INCLUDING**  
6 **SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON:**

7           **(1) WHETHER THE AGENCY REQUIRES OFFICERS TO COMPLETE USE**  
8 **OF FORCE DE-ESCALATION TRAINING;**

9           **(2) WHETHER THE AGENCY PROVIDES OFFICERS WITH THE**  
10 **OPPORTUNITY TO UNDERGO USE OF FORCE DE-ESCALATION TRAINING;**

11           **(3) THE FREQUENCY WITH WHICH OFFICERS MUST UNDERGO USE OF**  
12 **FORCE DE-ESCALATION TRAINING;**

13           **(4) THE NUMBER OF REPORTED INCIDENTS INVOLVING THE USE OF**  
14 **FORCE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND**

15           **(5) WHETHER ANY INCIDENT THAT INVOLVED THE USE OF FORCE BY**  
16 **LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ENDED IN A FATALITY.**

17           **(C) THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND**  
18 **VICTIM SERVICES SHALL:**

19           **(1) ADOPT PROCEDURES FOR THE COLLECTION, ANALYSIS, AND**  
20 **COMPILATION OF THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS**  
21 **SECTION; AND**

22           **(2) BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022, AND EVERY 2 YEARS THEREAFTER,**  
23 **SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE SENATE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS COMMITTEE, THE**  
24 **SENATE BUDGET AND TAXATION COMMITTEE, THE HOUSE JUDICIARY**  
25 **COMMITTEE, AND THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, IN ACCORDANCE**  
26 **WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THAT COMPILES THE**  
27 **INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.**

28           **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect**  
29 **October 1, 2021.**