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Explanation of Changes for CSSB 23 (SCRA)

(Version A to Version B)

Law Enforcement: Registry; Use of Force

Section 1: Added “pretrial services” to expand on who reports use of force to the Department of Public Safety. “Engaged in the use of force” replaces the term “used deadly force or prepared to use deadly force.” This language was added to remove uncertainty around the phrase “used deadly force”

Section 4: Made conforming changes by deleting “a new paragraph” and adding “new paragraphs.” Additionally, section four of the bill changed to reflect all material deleted to include defines serious physical injury is and the use of force.

Section 7: Replaced “use of force reporting requirement” and inserted “reporting requirement for use of force.” This language change better addresses the needs of the Department of Public Safety. In addition, the section deleted “Federal Bureau of Investigation” and inserted “Department of Public Safety on a form prescribed by the Department of Public Safety.” This change addresses the point that the Department of Corrections is not able to submit reports to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Lastly, the section makes conforming changes as seen in AS 18.65.290 of the bill as it relates to engaging in the use of force.

Section 8: Amend AS 29.71 by adding a subsection that states that the Department of Corrections shall submit reports for the use of force to the Department of Public Safety. This section also adds pretrial service officers to the list of officers pertaining to this bill. Additionally, the section makes conforming changes as seen in section four of the bill. The section also defines department as it relates to this section of the bill.

Section 9: Makes conforming changes by defining “engages in the use of force” as seen in section seven of the bill or as defined in AS 18.65.290.

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Section 10: Expands on the Department of Public Safety being the central database to create the annual report. Additionally, it gives the definition of “use of force” that is required to report from each department to the Department of Public Safety.