

Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security

Bill Summary

Bill Number: H2575

Name: An Act relative to administering state and local agreements

Sponsor(s): Representative Antonio Cabral

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Prior History: First Time File

Summary: This bill amends Chapter 37 (Sheriffs) of MGL, adding Section 27 (agreements to enforce federal law) (a) stating sheriffs and their employees may only perform functions described by 8 U.S.C. § 1357(g) if all costs are borne solely by the federal government, with a statute explicating authorizing such agreements. (b) The Sheriff shall keep a record of all activities under this section, report to appropriate committees, and said book shall be a public record as defined in clause 27 of section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws. Section 2 amends Chapter 124 (Powers and Duties of the Department of Corrections) by adding Section 11 (Agreements to Enforce Federal Law) (a), stating the Department of Corrections and any correctional institutions of the Commonwealth may only perform functions described by 8 U.S.C. § 1357(g) if all costs are borne solely by the federal government, with a statute explicitly authorizing such agreements. The departments shall keep a record of all activities under this section, report to appropriate committees, and said book shall be a public record as defined in clause 27 of section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws. Section 3 amends Chapter 13 (Department of the Attorney General and the District Attorneys), inserting after Section 5O, new Section 5P (a), defining agreement; law enforcement agency. (b) The Commonwealth and any law enforcement agencies, municipalities, or other subdivisions and their employees may only perform functions described by 8 U.S.C. § 1357(g) if all costs are borne solely by the federal government, with a statute explicitly authorizing such agreements. (c) The Attorney General may promulgate rules and regulations for purposes of implementing this section, and said book shall be a public record as defined in clause 27 of section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws.