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Committee Bill No. 6570

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING SAFETY AND SECURITY IN
NONGOVERNMENTAL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not later than January 1,
2 2020, the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
3 shall develop standards to assist in the development of security and
4 safety plans for nongovernmental buildings and structures, including
5 places of worship, that are open to the public and may be potential
6 targets of mass violence. The standards shall provide an all-hazards
7 approach to emergencies and include, but need not be limited to,
8 requirements for:

9 (1) Involvement of local officials, including the chief executive
10 officer of the municipality and law enforcement, fire, public health,
11 emergency management and emergency medical services personnel, in
12 the development of a plan;

13 (2) Establishment of an incident command system based on the
14 federal National Incident Management System and a description of the
15 responsibilities within such system;

- 16 (3) Establishment of a security and safety committee;
- 17 (4) Crisis management procedures;
- 18 (5) Local law enforcement and other local public safety officials to
19 evaluate, score and provide feedback on fire drills and crisis response
20 drills conducted pursuant to a plan;
- 21 (6) Establishment of procedures for managing various types of
22 emergencies;
- 23 (7) Security and vulnerability assessments every two years and plan
24 amendments based on the results of such assessments; and
- 25 (8) Orientation of employees working at a building or structure on
26 such plan and violence prevention training as prescribed in such plan.
- 27 (b) Not later than January 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, the
28 department shall submit the security and safety plan standards and
29 any recommendations for legislation regarding such standards to the
30 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance
31 of matters relating to public safety and security, in accordance with the
32 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.
- 33 (c) The department shall make such standards available to local
34 officials and owners and occupants of nongovernmental buildings or
35 structures. The department shall provide advice and technical
36 assistance regarding safety and security planning to such owners and
37 occupants when requested and as available resources allow.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To develop safety and security standards for nongovernmental buildings or structures that are open to the public.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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