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SENATE BILL 5916

State of Washington 66th Legislature 2019 Regular Session

By Senators Hasegawa, Nguyen, Saldaña, Das, and Wilson, C.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to collecting data regarding the use of force;
- 2 adding a new section to chapter 10.93 RCW; and adding a new section
- 3 to chapter 18.170 RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 10.93 6 RCW to read as follows:
- 7 (1) By January 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, all general 8 authority Washington law enforcement agencies and the department of
- 9 corrections must report to the office of the attorney general
- 10 regarding the occasions of justifiable homicide or uses of deadly
- 11 force by a public officer, peace officer, or person aiding under RCW
- 12 9A.16.040. The report must include the following:
- 13 (a) The number of tort claims filed and moneys paid in use of 14 force cases;
- 15 (b) The number of incidents in which peace officers discharged 16 firearms at citizens;
- 17 (c) The demographic characteristics of the officers and citizens 18 involved in each incident, including sex, age, race, and ethnicity;
- 19 (d) The agency or agencies employing the involved officers and 20 location of each incident;

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- 1 (e) The particular weapon or weapons used by peace officers and 2 citizens; and
- 3 (f) The injuries, if any, suffered by officers and citizens.
- 4 (2) By July 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, the office of the attorney general must compile reports received pursuant to this section and section 2 of this act and make public the data collected.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 18.170 RCW to read as follows:
- 9 (1) By January 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, any private security company licensed by the department must report to the department regarding the occasions of the use of force requiring the discharge of a firearm by a private security guard in its employ. The report must include the following:
- 14 (a) The number of incidents in which security guards discharged 15 firearms at citizens;
- 16 (b) The demographic characteristics of the security guards and 17 citizens involved in each incident, including sex, age, race, and 18 ethnicity;
- 19 (c) The company employing the involved security guards and the 20 location of each incident;
- 21 (d) The particular weapon or weapons used by security guards and 22 citizens; and
- 23 (e) The injuries, if any, suffered by security guards and 24 citizens.
- 25 (2) The department must forward all data received on an annual 26 basis to the office of the attorney general.

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