



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6177

LCO No. 3456



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AS
A DEFENSE IN CIVIL ACTIONS RESULTING FROM DEPRIVATION OF
EQUAL PROTECTION OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE COMMITTED BY
A STATE ELECTED OFFICIAL.***

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

- 1 That chapter 925 of the general statutes be amended to provide that:
- 2 (1) No state elected official, acting alone or in conspiracy with another,
- 3 shall deprive any person or class of persons of the equal protection of
- 4 the laws of this state, or of the equal privileges and immunities under
- 5 the laws of this state, including, without limitation, the protections,
- 6 privileges and immunities guaranteed under article first of the
- 7 Constitution of the state; and (2) in any civil action brought against any
- 8 member of the General Assembly, the Governor, the Lieutenant
- 9 Governor, the Attorney General, the Comptroller, the Treasurer or the
- 10 Secretary of the State as individuals, governmental immunity shall only
- 11 be a defense to a claim for damages when, at the time of the conduct
- 12 complained of, the state official had an objectively good faith belief that
- 13 such official's conduct did not violate the law.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure state elected officials are held to the same standard as police officers in protecting the Constitutional rights of state residents.