

2025 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 128

BY SENATOR CARTER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

LAW ENFORCEMENT. Requires a written report when any law enforcement officer uses force on a member of the public. (8/1/25)

1 AN ACT
2 To enact R.S. 40:2554, relative to law enforcement; to provide for responsibilities of law
3 enforcement officers while interacting with the public; to require mandatory
4 reporting when force is used; and to provide for related matters.
5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6 Section 1. R.S. 40:2554 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7 **§2554. Mandatory reporting when force is used**
8 **No later than January 1, 2026, the Council on Peace Officer Standards**
9 **and Training shall adopt a policy regarding mandatory reporting when a peace**
10 **officer uses force on a member of the public whether or not the interaction**
11 **results in an arrest. For purposes of this policy, a use of force report shall be**
12 **required when the force used is reasonably expected to cause physical injury**
13 **greater than transitory pain. This report shall be completed by the officer or his**
14 **immediate supervisor. This policy shall apply to all law enforcement agencies**
15 **in the state. Nothing in this policy shall prevent an agency from adopting a more**
16 **strenuous policy. The reports shall be considered a public record and subject**
17 **to the Public Records Law, R.S. 44:1 et seq.**

