
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 970

AN ACT CONCERNING A DOMESTIC TERRORISM PREVENTION PLAN ANNEX IN LOCAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLANS.

SUMMARY

This bill requires local emergency operations plans submitted on or after January 1, 2025, to include a domestic terrorism prevention strategy. The strategy must be described in a domestic terrorist prevention plan annex, based on standards provided by the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection's (DESPP) Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security. The bill prohibits the DESPP commissioner from approving plans that do not include these components.

By law, every town must have a current emergency operations plan approved by the DESPP commissioner every two years to be eligible for certain state or federal emergency management benefits. The plan must be approved by the local emergency management director and chief executive before it is submitted to the commissioner. If the previously submitted plan has not changed, the town may submit it with a notice to that effect.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2023

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 25 Nay 0 (03/16/2023)