

Town of Lexington

Motion

2018 Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 34 TO MAKE LEXINGTON A “WELCOMING, INCLUSIVE, SAFE COMMUNITY”

Proposed Resolution to Make Lexington a “Welcoming, Inclusive and Safe Community”

MOTION:

Resolved, that the Town is committed to making Lexington a truly “Welcoming, Inclusive and Safe Community”.

To this end, be it further resolved that the Town of Lexington hereby announces its support for the Safe Communities Act (SCA, S.1305 & H.3269), currently before our legislature.

In support of this resolution Town Meeting requests that the Town take the following actions as soon as practical:

1. Update the *Police Policy and Procedures Manual* so that it is fully compliant and fully aligned with the SCA.
2. Train all police department employees, with respect to these changes in the *Police Policy and Procedures Manual*.
3. Inform the community through public communications, municipal signage and other means deemed appropriate, that the town is a Welcoming, Inclusive and Safe Community.
4. Provide quarterly reports by the Lexington Police Department to the Board of Selectmen on all contacts in aggregate, and the nature of those contacts, with ICE or other federal immigration authorities. If the Safe Communities Act or a similar Act is passed that requires similar public reporting to the state, this requirement to report locally will be considered unnecessary.
5. Report any subsequent changes to the *Police Policy and Procedures Manual* related to this resolution in a Public Hearing.
6. Refer to, and consider including to the extent consistent with applicable laws, all of the elements of the Safe Communities Act (S.1305) as submitted to the Massachusetts Legislature on January 20, 2017 that apply to municipalities, when updating the *Police Policy and Procedures Manual*.

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