



# **HB 207: Law Enforcement Lineups**

December 8, 2010

# Status Update



- Survey respondents expressed concerns about obtaining photographs for lineups. Since the September meeting, the following has occurred:
  - The Virginia State Police issued a letter to all law enforcement agencies statewide, informing them about using the CCRE to obtain photographs for lineups.
  - Additionally, the Virginia State Police sent a letter to all law enforcement agencies regarding standards for image submission to the CCRE.

# Status Update



- DCJS is in the process of updating Directive 2-39 (Lineups) and the possibility of providing online training for lineups.
- Staff is scheduled to attend and present study findings at the spring 2011 meetings of both the VA Sheriffs' Association and the VA Association of Chiefs of Police.
- Staff briefed the Virginia Association of Commonwealth's Attorneys about survey results and issues from the September 8 presentation.
- Staff is planning to attend Crater Criminal Justice Regional Academy's lineup training on December 17.

# Policy Considerations



- Issue 1: Statutory lineup procedures
  - Alternative 1: Endorse or reject House Bill 207 that details specific procedures for law enforcement lineup policies; OR,
  - Alternative 2: Endorse a version of House Bill 207 with staff's clean-up modifications, which make NO substantive changes.



- Issue 2: Training Requirements
  - Require DCJS to develop mandatory training for law enforcement officers who regularly perform lineups.

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- Issue 3: Policy Compliance Audit
  - Request DCJS to conduct a policy compliance audit and report findings to the Crime Commission by fall 2011 on the status of law enforcement agencies' adoption of lineup policies in accordance with § 19.2-390.02.
  - This could be handled by a letter request.



- Issue 4: Accreditation Standards
  - Request the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission to consider revising the accreditation standard for lineups.
  - This could be handled by a letter request.



## **Discussion**