

PART I ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT (Chapters 1 through 182)

TITLE II EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH

CHAPTER 22C THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

Section 32 Definitions applicable to Secs. 33 to 35

Section 32. For the purposes of sections thirty-three to thirty-five, inclusive, the following words shall have the following meanings:--

"Crime reporting unit", a joint project of the department of state police and the department of criminal justice information services charged with the responsibility of collecting incident reports submitted by state, local and campus police departments and other law enforcement authorities and disseminating periodic reports analyzing and interpreting crime rates and trends in the commonwealth.

[Definition of "Hate crime" effective until July 1, 2012. For text effective July 1, 2012, see below.]

"Hate crime", any criminal act coupled with overt actions motivated by bigotry and bias including, but not limited to, a threatened, attempted or completed overt act motivated at least in part by racial, religious, ethnic, handicap, gender or sexual orientation prejudice, or which otherwise deprives another person of his constitutional rights by threats, intimidation or coercion, or which seek to interfere with or disrupt a person's exercise of constitutional rights through harassment or intimidation. Hate crime shall also include, but not be limited to, acts that constitute violations of sections thirty-seven and thirty-nine of chapter two hundred and sixty-five, section one hundred and twenty-seven A of chapter two hundred and sixty-six and chapter two hundred and seventy-two.

[Definition of "Hate crime" as amended by 2011, 199, Sec. 2 effective July 1, 2012. See 2011, 199, Sec. 9. For text effective until July 1, 2012, see above.]

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hundred and twenty-seven A of chapter two hundred and sixty-six and chapter two hundred and seventy-two.

"Hate crime data", information, incident reports, records and statistics relating to hate crimes, collected by the crime reporting unit.

"Incident report", an account of occurrence of a hate crime received or collected by the crime reporting unit.