

**Sec. 2. PILOT PROJECT; DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
REPORT TO COURT; PROBATION CONDITIONS**

(a) The Department of Corrections, in consultation with the Court Administrator, the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs, the Office of the Attorney General, and the Office of the Defender General, shall establish a pilot project to provide the court with a report prior to the sentencing of any defendant to a term of probation for a felony pursuant to 28 V.S.A. § 205. The report shall be designed to assist the court in setting probation conditions and shall include the defendant's risk and needs assessment results, mental health and substance use disorder screening results, and criminal history.

(b) The Department, the Court Administrator, the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs, the Office of the Attorney General, and the Office of the Defender General shall jointly select one or two units in the Criminal Division for participation in the pilot project established by this section. On or before December 1, 2022, the Department shall report the results of the pilot project to the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee. The report shall recommend whether the pilot project should be made permanent throughout the State.