

# S.B. 117 – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AMENDMENTS

S.B. 117 aims to prevent intimate partner homicide in Utah by providing victims, law enforcement, judges, and prosecutors with evidence-backed tools and resources.

## ❌ PROBLEM

- Only half of law enforcement agencies in Utah conduct lethality assessments
- Jurisdictional data silos leave law enforcement, judges, and prosecutors without relevant records on victims and offenders
- No statewide coordination or analysis of domestic violence assessments

## ✅ SOLUTION

- Standardize and require the Lethality Assessment Protocol (LAP) statewide
- Develop and maintain a statewide reporting mechanism to collect LAPs and include the results on probable cause statements and incident reports
- Create and maintain a LAP database and provide analytical support

## Lethality Assessment Protocol

The Lethality Assessment Protocol (Maryland model) is a research-backed tool to reduce risk and death for victims of intimate partner violence.



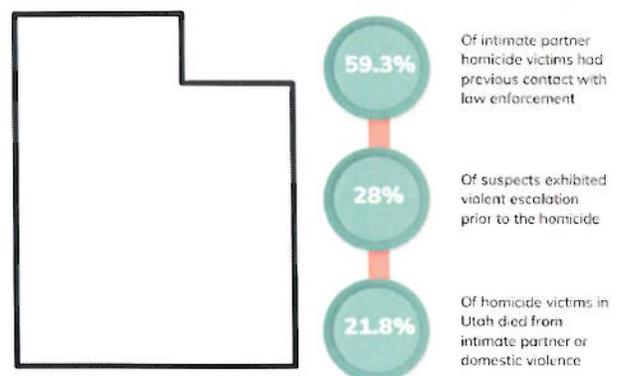
## DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

Law enforcement, prosecutors, and judges require info to make informed decisions. S.B. 117 eliminates data silos, shares information statewide, and implements data analysis.

- Train law enforcement on LAP
- Include assessment results on probable cause statements and incident reports
- Collect and share assessment results with law enforcement, prosecutors, and judges
- Track data and identify high-risk offenders with SIAC analysts



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