

# **Councilor Gomes asks for first responders to carry clamps that stop gunshot, knife wounds**

New Bedford City Councilor Brian Gomes is requesting that the New Bedford Police Department, Fire Department and EMS look into implementing a device used to close an open wound on a victim suffering from a gunshot wound, stabbing or other open wound injuries.

Here is the motion that will be in front of the City Council on Thursday, February 22, 2018:

REPORT, Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods, recommending that the City Council follow the recommended action on the WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Gomes, requesting, that the New Bedford Police Department, the Fire Department and EMS look into implementing the I Teeth Clamp, which is a device used to close an open wound on a victim suffering from a gunshot wound, stabbing or any accidental superficial open wound, it has been credited in slowing blood loss and preventing loss of life in emergency situations; and further, for very little cost we can equip every Police Officer and train every emergency responder to administer the I Teeth Clamp in a crisis or emergency situation.

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for very little cost we can equip every Police Officer and train every emergency responder to administer the I Teeth clamp in a crisis or emergency situation. (Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods – 06/25/2015; Signed by the Mayor – 06/30/2015.)