

Public Comments

LC 742— The original text of this bill included more significant changes, necessary changes. As of now, we cannot trust police officers with chemical weapons. There is a reason tear gas is banned in the Geneva Convention. There is a reason there are protocols for our military for how they engage in crowd control, how munitions are deployed when innocent people are just there, and what to do when people are injured. We can and must do better. This is bare minimum. LC 743— Police officers need to wear their nametags. For accountability, individual officers must be able to be identified. If they're not doing anything wrong, there should be no problem. Accountability is clearly an issue that is impeding trust and this is one step. LC 746— Police officers need to be held accountable, no arbitrator vetos. Simple. LC 747— We know people can be arrested without violence. I believe this is a minor step, but if police officers can't commit to the well-being of those they arrest there will continue to be violence, brutality, and more death. LC 821— The public deserves to know if police officers are committing crimes. No hidden discipline, true accountability. LC 825— No qualified immunity. None. This must end now.

Thank you for your time.

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