

Joint Committee On The First Special Session of 2020

Public Hearing

6/25/2020 10:00 AM, HR 50

Joint Committee Members

Please accept my Testimony.

HB4203, This bill prohibits the use of force that impedes the ability of a person to breathe under any circumstances.

Although well-intended after the tragic death of George Floyd, this bill leaves no alternative for an officer that has their life at risk when the only option is to disable a person by impeding their breath to disable the threat.

Please include the option "unless an officer's life is at risk", which is what the President did in his Executive Order.

When anyone is placed in a situation when their life is as risk, they will do whatever is necessary!

Thank you,

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