SUPPORT

SB 2369 SFA1 (formerly SB 3415)

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Includes the language from SB 3415:

- Permanently Continues Traffic and Pedestrian Collection in Illinois
- Lifts the sunset on data collection: keeps the current practice in place
- Fulfills the requirement to study and identify the best use of technology to collect, compile and analyze stop data

Additional language added as part of conversations and negotiations with law enforcement:

- Gets rid of quota requirement in all municipalities
- Encourages law enforcement officers to seek mental health treatment

Data Collection remains an important tool in identifying and combating racial disparities.

- Despite some departments that show more equitable statistics, when you look at the hard numbers since this law was passed in 2004, many departments continue to report racial disparities.
 - In 2016 white motorists had the highest stop rates for speeding violations in Illinois, but Black and Latino motorists were more likely to receive a citation once stopped for speeding.
 - In 2016, nearly all police departments in Illinois searched Black and Latino motorists at higher rates than white motorists, yet white motorists were more likely to be found with contraband.

We cannot deny that racial disparities continue to persist.

Data collection can result in the review of policies and training and can lead to implementation of practices that prevent biased policing.

 Comprehensive collection of this data each year provides a more complete picture of a department's practices, which can help support or rebut claims of racial profiling.

The data allows concerns of Illinois citizens to be better addressed, resources such as specialized training to be provided, the honest efforts of Illinois' law enforcement professionals to be demonstrated, and the civil rights of all Illinois citizens to be protected.

Data Collection in Other States

- → Of the 17 states with traffic stop data collection laws, 15 are permanent. Only IL and MD have temporary laws.
- → Of the states that collect both traffic and pedestrian stop data, Illinois is the only state with a temporary law in place.



Organizations Supportive of Permanent Traffic and Pedestrian Collection in Illinois

ACLU of Illinois
A Just Harvest
Chicago Appleseed Fund for Justice
Chicago Council of Lawyers
Community Renewal Society
Esperanza Health Centers
Mandel Legal Aid Clinic of the University of Chicago Law School
Safer Foundation
Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law
YMCA of the University of Illinois

