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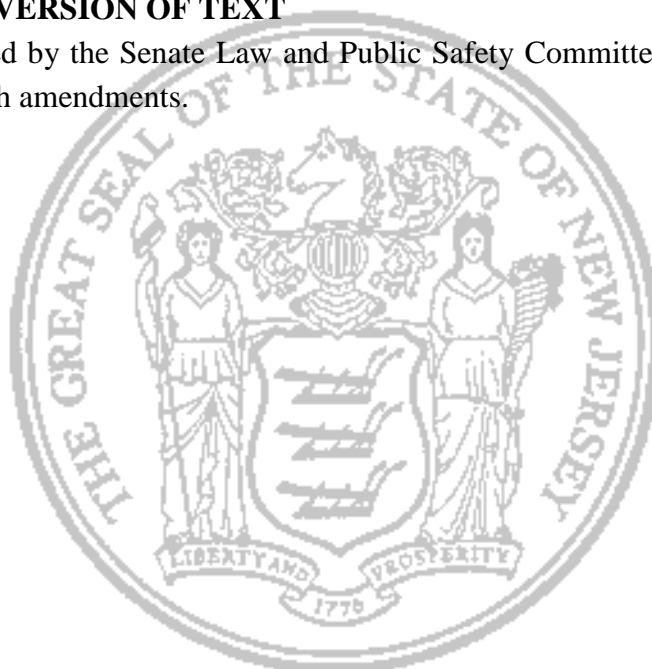
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SYNOPSIS

Prohibits law enforcement agencies from considering number of arrests made and citations issued when evaluating police officer's professional performance.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Law and Public Safety Committee on December 10, 2020, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning quotas for arrests and citations and amending
2 P.L.2000, c.164.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 2 of P.L.2000, c.164 (C.40A:14-181.2) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 2. a. A State, county^{1,1} or municipal police department or force
10 engaged in the enforcement of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes or any
11 local ordinance adopted pursuant to this title shall not establish any
12 quota for arrests or citations. The department or force may, however,
13 collect, analyze^{1,1} and apply information concerning the number of
14 arrests and citations in order to ensure that a particular officer or group
15 of officers does not violate any applicable legal obligation and for the
16 purpose of forwarding that information to the Superintendent of State
17 Police for inclusion in the Uniform Crime Report.

18 b. The department or force shall not use the number of arrests or
19 citations issued by a law enforcement officer **【as the sole】** when
20 evaluating the performance of a law enforcement officer, or as a
21 criterion for promotion, demotion, dismissal, discipline, or the earning
22 of any benefit provided by the department or force. 【Any such arrests
23 or citations, and their ultimate dispositions, may be considered in
24 evaluating the overall performance of a law enforcement officer.】

25 ¹c. A department or force shall not post data regarding the number
26 of arrests or citations in any area that is common to all law
27 enforcement officers of the department or force, including a police
28 station or barracks, for the purpose of creating competition between
29 officers with respect to arrests and citations.¹

30 (cf: P.L.2000, c.164, s.2)

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32 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate SLP committee amendments adopted December 10, 2020.