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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1130

Sponsors: Representatives Miller, Redwine; Flaherty and Hensley.

Referred to: Rules, Appointments, and Calendar.

April 25, 1991

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
2 COMMISSION TO STUDY THE BASIC CIVIL RIGHTS OF LAW
3 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

4 Whereas, the administration of criminal justice is of statewide concern; and

5 Whereas, professional law enforcement and professional law enforcement
6 officers are important to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the State; and

7 Whereas, effective and professional law enforcement depends upon the
8 maintenance of stable relationships between law enforcement officers and their
9 employing agencies, low rates of attrition among law enforcement officers, and high
10 morale among law enforcement officers; and

11 Whereas, legislation to afford basic civil rights to law enforcement officers
12 may be necessary to assure sufficient professional law enforcement officers to serve and
13 protect the citizens of our State;

14 Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

15 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may:

16 (1) Examine the needs of law enforcement officers of this State relating to
17 the protection of officers' rights as employees of the State, its
18 municipalities, or its political subdivisions.

19 (2) Study the methods and procedures used in the questioning and
20 investigation of officers in connection with charges of misconduct or
21 other disciplinary matters.

22 (3) Study the procedures used in disciplinary hearings involving law
23 enforcement officers.

1 (4) Study any other issues pertinent to the basic civil rights of law
2 enforcement officers.

3 Sec. 2. As used in this resolution, "law enforcement officer" or
4 "officer" means any person certified or requiring certification pursuant to Chapter 17C
5 or 17E of the General Statutes.

6 Sec. 3. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report,
7 including any recommendations, to the 1991 General Assembly, Regular Session 1992,
8 and a final report to the 1993 General Assembly.

9 Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.