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CALL TO ACTION

Do not delay or sit this one out! Please call and email your State Senators and State Representatives immediately. We need your help and your voices to highlight the disastrous flaws of the police reform bill from the conference committee (H.4886/S.2820, now S2963 – link below). Below are talking points suitable for a cut and paste into an email:

“The members of the State Police Association recognize the ever-changing nature of policing; however, this bill is not the answer. Policing is increasingly dangerous and wrought with unknown hazards – we accept these risks to protect all in the Commonwealth and make our communities as safe as possible. This bill does not help, but rather detracts from this goal. The language attacking qualified immunity, the creation of a police standards commission absent a majority of experienced professionals, a misunderstanding of our promotional process and a stripping of due process make this bill indefensible.

Please do not vote for this bill. The extended legislative session and rush to print will leave us with fundamental and catastrophic flaws in the law. The errs of this law will be lived by those in the Commonwealth, not learned via study and careful consideration that is then transformed into just and impactful legislation.

We welcome the opportunity to fashion a meaningful and well-thought-out police reform bill in the upcoming legislative session with the input of all parties, and a focus on protecting the rights of all involved.”

Please take note of any interaction or response that you receive and sent it back to SPAM at trooper388@msptrooper.org.

<https://malegislature.gov/Bills/191/S2963>

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In Solidarity,

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