

Representative Chad E. Bennion proposes the following substitute bill:

PEACE OFFICER ARREST QUOTAS

2002 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Chad E. Bennion

This act modifies the Utah Code of Criminal Procedure to prohibit the use of arrest quotas by a state agency, county or municipality that employs a peace officer.

This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

ENACTS:

77-7-18.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **77-7-18.5** is enacted to read:

77-7-18.5. Prohibition of arrest quotas.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Arrest quota" means any requirement regarding the total number of arrests made or citations issued by a peace officer, or the proportion of arrests made or citations issued by a peace officer relative to the number of arrests made or citations issued by another peace officer or group of officers on a given day or other period of time.

(b) "Citation" means a citation issued under Section 77-7-18.

(2) A state agency, county, or municipality employing a peace officer engaged in the enforcement of the statutes of this state or any local ordinance adopted pursuant to the statutes of this state, may not:

(a) establish any policy requiring any peace officer to meet an arrest quota; or

(b) use the number of arrests or citations issued by a peace officer as the sole criterion for promotion, demotion, dismissal, or earning any benefit provided by the agency.

(3) An arrest or citation, and its ultimate disposition, may only be considered in evaluating



26 the overall performance of a peace officer.