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Chair Abrams, Vice Chair Miller, Ranking Member Thomas, and members of the House Public Safety Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill 114, which was passed unanimously out of the Senate on April 30. This bill prohibits law enforcement agencies from using ticket or arrest quotas as the basis for evaluation, compensation, or discipline.

The issue of ticket and arrest quotas was brought to my attention by the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association and the Fraternal Order of Police in response to the quota mandates of a few bad actors. Senate Bill 114 not only prohibits law enforcement agencies from mandating quotas, but it creates a reporting system for officers to report unlawful use of quotas to the Attorney General's office and requires the AGO to investigate each report.

To be clear, we very much want our traffic laws monitored appropriately. This would not prohibit police chiefs from assigning officers to "traffic units" to monitor traffic safety. This only prohibits using ticket quotas as the basis for evaluation or compensation. Our law enforcement officers are responsible for keeping us safe, and they should not be saddled with the unreasonable burden of generating revenue for bureaucracies through ticket quotas.

Chair Abrams and the members of the committee, thank you for hearing my testimony today. I welcome any questions from the committee.