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Offered by:
REP. HOWARD, 43rd Dist.

To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 120

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT ALLOWING POLICE OFFICERS TO WEAR RELIGIOUS
HEAD COVERINGS AS PART OF A POLICE UNIFORM."**

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- 1 Strike section 2 and substitute the following in lieu thereof:
- 2 "Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section,
3 "social media" has the same meaning as provided in section 9-601 of the
4 general statutes and "law enforcement unit" and "police officer" have the
5 same meanings as provided in section 7-294a of the general statutes.
- 6 (b) Not later than January 1, 2022, the Police Officer Standards and
7 Training Council shall develop a model policy concerning the use of
8 social media by law enforcement units and police officers while on duty.
9 Such model policy shall include, but need not be limited to, (1)
10 guidelines regarding the use of a social media account used by a law
11 enforcement unit, (2) the responsibilities of any person employed by the
12 law enforcement unit who manages and approves content to post on
13 such social media account, (3) procedures when the unauthorized use

14 of such social media account is detected, (4) guidelines to ensure
15 compliance with any applicable state or federal law, (5) guidelines
16 regarding content suitable and not suitable for posting on such social
17 media account, and (6) methods to limit indecent or obscene content on
18 any such social media account.

19 (c) Not later than July 1, 2022, each law enforcement unit shall adopt
20 and maintain a written policy that meets or exceeds the standards of the
21 model policy developed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section."