



1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 639

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- 1 **AN ACT to create** 164.055 of the statutes; **relating to:** prohibiting requirements
2 that law enforcement officers meet arrest, citation or other quotas in the
3 enforcement of state and local laws.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law provides certain rights to law enforcement officers, such as the right to engage in political activity when not on duty or not otherwise acting in an official capacity and, when being interrogated as part of a disciplinary investigation, the right to be informed of the nature of the investigation and to have a representative present during the investigation. These rights may not be abridged by a collective bargaining agreement, and a law enforcement officer may not be discharged, disciplined, demoted or otherwise discriminated against in regard to employment because he or she exercises any of his or her rights.

This bill provides law enforcement officers with the right to be free from meeting certain quotas relating to law enforcement. Specifically, the bill specifies that a law enforcement officer employed by the state or by a city, village, town or county may not be required to do any of the following: 1) issue a specific number or a minimum or maximum number of citations, complaints or warning notices during any specified time period; 2) stop a specific number or a minimum or maximum number of persons or vehicles during any specified time period for the purpose of preventing or detecting violations of any law or ordinance or enforcing any law or ordinance; or 3) make a specific number or a minimum or maximum number of arrests during any specified time period. As under current law, this right may not be abridged by a collective bargaining agreement, and a law enforcement officer may not be discharged, disciplined, demoted or otherwise discriminated against in regard to employment because he or she refuses to meet a quota prohibited under the bill.

