

I am writing in support of HB 6663, placing greater accountability on police officers for their conduct, and providing for stronger consequences for police officers who utilize excessive force.

I feel it is my moral obligation, as a minority male fortunate enough to have experienced positive relationships throughout my life to speak up for protections for our young men and women who are at risk of police brutality. In a society that seems to be walking back from aspects of positive policing, and into the "law and order" rhetoric of our current president, I am very afraid that our police officers coming up in the system will see that rhetoric as an excuse to not exercise better judgement, and to believe that they, themselves, are above the law. This helps no run in the long run.

Please support the amazing Rep. Robin Porter in moving this important bill forward.

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