

Regular Session, 2008

HOUSE BILL NO. 327

BY REPRESENTATIVE WHITE

LAW ENFORCE/OFFICERS: Prohibits the establishment of arrest quotas

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Chapter 25-A of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be
3 comprised of R.S. 40:2591, relative to certain quotas by law enforcement officers;
4 to prohibit arrest quotas; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. Chapter 25-A of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
7 comprised of R.S. 40:2591, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 CHAPTER 25-A. PROHIBITION AGAINST LAW ENFORCEMENT QUOTAS

9 §2591. Prohibition against arrest quotas

10 A. The state, any agency of the state, or a political subdivision of the state
11 shall not establish or maintain, formally or informally, a plan to evaluate, promote,
12 compensate, or discipline a law enforcement officer according to the officer making
13 a predetermined or specified number of any type or combination of types of arrests.

14 B. The state, any agency of the state, or a political subdivision of the state
15 shall not require or suggest to a law enforcement officer that the law enforcement
16 officer is required or expected to make a predetermined or specified number of any
17 type or combination of types of arrests within a specified period.

18 C. This Section shall not prohibit a municipality from obtaining budgetary
19 information from a city court or other court of record, including an estimate of the
20 amount of money the court anticipates will be collected in a budget year.

1 D. This Section shall not prohibit a parish from obtaining budgetary
 2 information from a district court, including an estimate of the amount of money the
 3 court anticipates will be collected in a budget year.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits a law enforcement officer from being required to make a predetermined number of arrests for purposes of evaluation, promotion, compensation, or discipline during a specified period of time.

Proposed law prohibits the state, any agency of the state, or a political subdivision of the state from establishing or maintaining, formally or informally, a plan to evaluate, promote, compensate, or discipline a law enforcement officer according to the officer making a predetermined or specified number of any type or combination of types of arrests.

Proposed law prohibits the state, any agency of the state, or a political subdivision of the state from requiring or suggesting to a law enforcement officer that the law enforcement officer is required or expected to make a predetermined or specified number of any type or combination of types of arrests within a specified period.

Proposed law does not prohibit a municipality or parish from obtaining budgetary information from a city court or other court of record or district court, respectively, including an estimate of the amount of money the court anticipates will be collected in a budget year.

(Adds R.S. 40:2591)