

I.U.P.A. LOCAL 6020

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS BROWARD DEPUTY SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION THE VOICE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

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Representative Wyman Duggan, Florida House of Representative for District 12

Unit 6

4070 Herschel Street

Jacksonville, FL 32210

Dear Representative Duggan,

The International Union of Police Associations (I.U.P.A.) Local 6020, the union representing the Department of Law Enforcement Deputies and Sergeants for the Broward County Sheriff's Office, currently represents approximately 1200 members. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 endorses House Bill 95 and your legislative efforts for the proposed change to Florida state statute 112.532, which will provide law enforcement officers due process when being placed on the Brady Giglio list. The proposed change seeks to require prosecuting agencies to establish written policies which establish the criteria used to place a law enforcement officer on the Brady Giglio list, to provide a law enforcement officer to review and provide input prior to being placed on the Brady Giglio list, and to allow the law enforcement officer to review and provide input prior to being placed on the Brady Giglio list.

The proposed change will also allow law enforcement officers to request the prosecuting agency reconsider placing them on the Brady Giglio list and mandates the prosecuting agency determine whether the agency will accept or deny their request. During the reconsideration process, the prosecuting agency will have to remove the law enforcement officer from the Brady Giglio list pending the reconsideration process.



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All Americans and citizens of the state of Florida are entitled to a presumption of innocence and entitled to due process. Law enforcement officers are also entitled to a presumption of innocence and due process.

House Bill 95 does not restrict a prosecuting agency's ability from being able to have a law enforcement officer placed on the Brady Giglio list and it does not restrict an employing agency's ability to discipline a law enforcement officer where the evidence has shown they have committed misconduct. House Bill 95 simply provides law enforcement officers due process, allowing them to provide their input before a decision is made.

The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 looks forward to working with you on this matter and extends all available resources at its disposal to assist with passage of House Bill 95.

Respectfully submitted,

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