

2 **SB 5852** - H COMM AMD **ADOPTED 4/9/01**
3 By Committee on Appropriations

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature declares its support
8 for the executive order issued by the president of the United States in
9 which it is stated that stopping or searching individuals on the basis
10 of race is not an effective law enforcement policy, that it is
11 inconsistent with democratic ideals, especially the commitment to equal
12 protection under the law for all persons, and that it is neither
13 legitimate nor defensible as a strategy for public protection.

14 (2) The legislature declares its support for the Washington
15 association of sheriffs and police chiefs' recent resolution condemning
16 racial profiling and reaffirming local law enforcement agencies'
17 commitment to ensuring the public safety and the protection of civil
18 liberties for all persons. The legislature further declares its
19 support for the association's goal of implementing policing procedures
20 that are fair, equitable, and constitutional.

21 (3) The legislature supports and encourages local law enforcement
22 agencies' compliance with the recommendations of the Washington
23 association of sheriffs and police chiefs regarding racial profiling.
24 Local law enforcement agencies are encouraged to take actions to ensure
25 that their practices do not enable or foster racial profiling. Such
26 actions may include, but are not limited to: Adopting policies
27 designed to prevent racial profiling; working with community minority
28 groups to improve communication and understanding; training to ensure
29 that legitimate police actions are not misperceived as racial
30 profiling; establishing a citizen concern review process to address
31 allegations of racial profiling; and reviewing data on traffic stops.

32 (4) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs shall
33 coordinate with the criminal justice training commission to ensure that
34 issues related to racial profiling are addressed in basic law
35 enforcement training and offered in regional training for in-service
36 law enforcement officers at all levels."

1 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Encourages, rather than requires, local law enforcement agencies to follow WASPC recommendations. Removes the requirement that local law enforcement agencies take particular mandatory actions against racial profiling. Encourages local law enforcement agencies to take actions to ensure that existing procedures do not foster or encourage racial profiling. Removes requirements that local law enforcement report to WASPC, and that WASPC report to the legislature, on racial profiling. Removes the definition of racial profiling.

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