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**SB 660 – Law Enforcement – Response to Immigration Enforcement Actions**

Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and colleagues on the Judicial Proceedings Committee:

SB 660 seeks to address a need for transparency when immigration enforcement activity occurs in our neighborhoods, businesses, schools, and homes. In Chicago, Minnesota, Texas, and Maryland, we have witnessed Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents acting recklessly in the performance of their duties. This behavior has led to the death of Alex Pretti and Renee Good, and multiple cases of false and inaccurate reporting, such as in [Maryland](#), [Minneapolis](#), [Chicago](#), and [Texas](#). As a result, it is imperative to create a policy to monitor ICE activity in the state to keep our communities safe and provide a path for justice.

SB 660 would require a Law Enforcement Agency to respond when notified of immigration enforcement action occurring in the State. A law officer would observe ICE's action, record it, and create a report. This report would include information such as the setting, responding federal agencies, use of force, whether medical attention was needed, whether law enforcement was in any way restricted from observing and recording, and any violations the law officer observed. During their observations, law enforcement officers would still be required to perform their required duties, if applicable.

We have seen time and again ICE putting out a statement regarding their activity, only to have that statement contradicted by local law enforcement or by bystander videos. This legislation would ensure transparency and accountability.

For these reasons, I respectfully request your favorable report on SB 660.