

Judiciary Committee
House Bill 155
Favorable

Honorable Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Judiciary Committee;

Please give House Bill 155, regarding law enforcement being prohibited from using face coverings in most circumstances, a FAVORABLE report.

As we have seen throughout the country, law enforcement officers who wear face coverings cannot be identified, and thus cannot be held accountable for their actions. This is unconstitutional. The people have the right to know the identities of those who have harassed, assaulted, detained, and/or arrested them. The people have the right to know the identities of those who trespass on their property, and of those who break down their doors.

I recognize that it will be difficult to prosecute federal officers under this legislation, and perhaps this bill is but a symbolic measure in regards to ICE. However, it is an important piece of legislation in that it will at least cover law enforcement of the state and local entities. And there is always the chance that the courts will find that this law also pertains to federal officers. We need all the help we can get to counter the fascist actions of the federal government.

Please give House Bill 155 a Favorable report. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
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