

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **80th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1995**  
4 **By: Senator Malone**

# **A Bill**

**ACT 952 OF 1995**  
**SENATE BILL 558**

## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT NO STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY EMPLOYING  
9 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ENFORCE MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC  
10 LAWS MAY ESTABLISH ANY POLICY REQUIRING LAW ENFORCEMENT  
11 OFFICERS TO MEET AN ARREST QUOTA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## **Subtitle**

14 "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ARREST QUOTAS FOR  
15 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ENFORCE  
16 MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC LAWS."

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

20 SECTION 1. As used in this act:

21 (a) "Arrest quota" means any requirement regarding the number of arrests  
22 made, or the number of citations issued, by a law enforcement officer or the  
23 proportion of such arrests made and citations issued by a law enforcement  
24 officer relative to the arrests made and citations issued by another law  
25 enforcement officer or group of officers.

26 (b) "Citation" means a notice to appear, notice of violation or notice  
27 of parking violation.

29 SECTION 2. No state or local agency employing law enforcement officers  
30 engaged in the enforcement of any motor vehicle traffic laws of this state or  
31 any local ordinance governing motor vehicle traffic may establish any policy  
32 requiring any law enforcement officer to meet an arrest quota, *except as*  
33 *necessary to meet requirements under federal law or contracts with federal*  
34 *agencies.*

36 SECTION 3. No state or local agency employing law enforcement officers

1 engaged in the enforcement of any motor vehicle traffic laws may use the  
2 number of arrests or citations issued by a law enforcement officer as the sole  
3 criterion for promotion, demotion, dismissal or the earning of any benefit  
4 provided by the agency. Any such arrests or citations and their ultimate  
5 dispositions may only be considered in evaluating the overall performance of a  
6 law enforcement officer.

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8 SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
9 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
10 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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12 SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
13 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
14 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
15 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
16 act are declared to be severable.

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18 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
19 hereby repealed.

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21 /s/Malone

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