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2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 143

February 17, 2020 - Introduced by Representatives Considine, Felzkowski, Milroy, Edming, Gruszynski, Mursau, Plumer, Anderson, Skowronski, SHANKLAND, TITTL, PRONSCHINSKE, HORLACHER and NEYLON, cosponsored by Senators Erpenbach and Schachtner. Referred to Committee on Rules.

AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1	Relating to: motorcycle profiling.
2	Whereas, motorcycle ridership has continued to increase over time with
3	registrations growing from 3,826,373 in 1997 to 8,600,936 in 2015; and
4	Whereas, as of August 2016, the ongoing National Motorcycle Profiling Survey
5	2016, conducted by the Motorcycle Profiling Project, found that approximately half
6	of the motorcyclists surveyed felt that they had been profiled by law enforcement at
7	least once; and
8	Whereas, motorcycle profiling means the illegal use of the fact that a person
9	rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle-related apparel as a factor in deciding to stop
10	and question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search a person or vehicle with or
11	without legal basis under the U.S. Constitution; and
12	Whereas, complaints surrounding motorcycle profiling have been cited in all 50
13	states; and
14	Whereas, nationwide protests to raise awareness and combat motorcycle
15	profiling have been held in multiple states; and

Whereas, in 2011, the State of Washington signed into law legislation requiring the state Criminal Justice Training Commission to ensure that issues related to motorcycle profiling are addressed in basic law enforcement training, and that the training is offered to law enforcement officers in conjunction with existing training regarding profiling; and

Whereas, reported incidents of motorcycle profiling have dropped approximately 90 percent in the State of Washington since the 2011 legislation was signed into law; and

Whereas, in the spring of 2016, Maryland became the second state to pass a law addressing the issue of motorcycle profiling; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin Legislature hereby promotes increased public awareness on the issue of motorcycle profiling; encourages collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement to engage in efforts to end motorcycle profiling; and urges law enforcement officials to include statements condemning motorcycle profiling in written policies and training materials.

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