



June 14, 2007

Honorable Jose Solorio, Chair  
Assembly Committee on Public Safety  
1020 N. Street, Room 111  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 718 (Scott) – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Solorio:

The Riverside Sheriffs' Association, which represents over 2,800 rank and file Deputy Sheriffs, Deputy Probation Officers, Deputy Correctional Officers, District Attorney Investigators, and Deputy Coroners – the entire law enforcement team in Riverside County - is pleased to support SB 718.

Unlike other professions, when an allegation is made against an individual law enforcement officer, that officer does not hold a press conference to set the record straight according to his or her interpretation of the charge. In allegations of misconduct the officer is subject to at least three or more levels of factual scrutiny and review. There is a seriously taken search for truth by the department. That scrutiny in search of truth pertains as well to false reporting of commendation. The old mantra of "wanting the truth, just the truth" remains today.

Very truly yours,

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President

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Senator Jack Scott