

March 23, 2009

Representative Ronald A. Wait
219-N Stratton Office Building
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Representative Wait:

RE: Support for HB 0795, Bachman's Law

Please add Voices Insisting on PursuitSAFETY to the list of supporters for HB 0795.

PursuitSAFETY is a national organization. Our goal is to improve officer training, supervision, and the law with respect to police pursuits in an effort to prevent peace officers and innocent bystanders from being needlessly killed or maimed.

We support HB 0795 because we believe it will promote roadway safety and help prevent unnecessary crashes and carnage.

HB 0795 is a measured response to recent, preventable tragedies on Illinois roadways. The bill strikes a proper balance between the rights and expectations of innocent bystanders and motorists against the need for prompt emergency response.

By setting reasonable standards regarding how police respond to calls, we believe HB 0795 encourages law enforcement agencies to review policies, training and tactics in a continuing effort to improve both officer and public safety.

Moreover, by providing a standard which can be tested in courts of law, the bill provides a fair forum for those who may suffer as a result of departures from safe emergency response techniques.

In short, HB 0795 is measured, sensible and fair. It receives our support.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director



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