

SUMMARY

AB 655, also known as the California Law Enforcement Accountability Reform Act (CLEAR Act), combats the infiltration of our law enforcement agencies by violent extremists.

The bill would require law enforcement agencies to screen candidates for participation in hate group activity, or advocacy of public expressions of hate or violence. Additionally, if a complaint alleging such conduct is filed against a peace officer, it would create grounds for an investigation. If sustained, the complaint could then lead to termination.

BACKGROUND

Over the past fifteen years, the FBI has identified many complain

