

Thank you for allowing me to express my thoughts regarding the above issue:

I never thought this day would come here in Connecticut where we will participate on how Police Officers conduct themselves. The last decade I felt that Connecticut has been a follower and not a leader, only because we are surrounded by our large city neighbors. We are not New York or New Jersey. We don't have the same crime issues. Now because one bad horrible cop caused such great outpour from all over our country Connecticut wants to jump on that wagon and disrupt what we have that has basically worked safely. §§ 3 & 15-16 — I agree that all Police Officers should have a mental check. §§ 5 & 6 Crowd Management I agree that police should be trained however when civil disobedience occurs (rioters and looters) I feel the police need to be backed by the towns and cities and not have their hands tied. §§ 10 & 11 . Hiring Minority Officers I'm all for as long as these officers are qualified as any other officer. § 18 Having a Social Worker arrive with an officer at the scene of a crime occurring is totally insane and unrealistic. I feel instead officers can be trained as "social workers" in addition to have police officer back-up. §§ 21 & 22 , § 21 , § 29 . Police Officers need to ask for ID especially for suspicion of a crime that occurred or in the process . When you start telling an officer how to protect themselves in an altercation with a criminal you're opening the door to more violence from criminals. Having the cameras on the PO will identify all actions on both sides. See our neighboring cities....Once you change the laws and make officers stand down you're going to get extreme violence throughout our towns and cities. All we have to do is turn on the TVs, social media, radios...Remember we are not NYC!. We are not wannabees!. Thank you...Please keep Connecticut Connecticut. Sincerely, Rowena Brokowski