

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations, or policies proposed or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must first have been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles recognizes the importance of public trust, transparency, and accountability in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1537 would prohibit peace officers from being employed by, serving as an independent contractor for, or volunteering with the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or its contractors or any other entity that assists with or engages in immigration enforcement, enhancing clarity around permissible secondary employment for peace officers and reducing potential conflicts of duty; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1537 would make failure to comply with that prohibition, for certain purposes, an act of dishonesty and grounds for decertification as a peace officer, thereby aligning secondary employment rules with existing standards for peace officer conduct and certification; and

WHEREAS, AB 1537 would require a peace officer to report to their employing law enforcement agency any secondary employment relating to immigration enforcement, advancing internal accountability and ensuring employing agencies have knowledge of all such engagements; and


WHEREAS, the bill would explicitly state that records related to secondary employment of peace officers are public records for purposes of the California Public Records Act, strengthening transparency by making these disclosures accessible to the public; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1537's provisions seek to ensure consistent standards statewide that reduce ambiguity about peace officer roles in sensitive enforcement contexts and promote public confidence in law enforcement practices while balancing statutorily mandated local responsibilities; and


WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles routinely considers the impacts of state legislation on municipal authority, public safety, civil rights, and community relationships with law enforcement agencies, and supports legislative steps that improve clarity, public oversight, and accountability in peace officer employment practices; now, therefore, be it

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2025 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for Assembly Bill 1537 to prohibit peace officers from being employed by, serving as an independent contractor for, or volunteering with the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or its contractors or any other entity that assists with or engages in immigration enforcement.

PRESENTED BY:


 HUGO SOTO-MARTINEZ
 Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY:



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