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Arizona House of Representatives

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New Law Enforcement Data Collection, Reporting Requirements for Use-of-Force Incidents Approved by Legislature

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – The state Senate on Wednesday unanimously approved [HB 2168](#), legislation sponsored by Representative Walt Blackman (R-6), which requires law enforcement agencies in Arizona to collect data on use-of-force incidents involving officers and to report it annually to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) and the FBI's National Use of Force Data Collection. ACJC would be required to develop data collection standards and reporting guidelines on use-of-force incidents, and to publicly publish data that was reported during the previous year.

“In light of the recent incident in Minnesota that led to the shooting death of Daunte Wright, my heart and prayers go out to all that have been affected by this tragedy,” said Representative Blackman. **“I’m hopeful that the detailed data collected as a result of this legislation will help lead to informed decision making, policy reforms, and enhanced training to support law enforcement agencies and improve the ability of officers to serve and protect people in our communities.”**

HB 2168 was passed by the House in February and will now be transmitted to the governor.

Walt Blackman is a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives serving Legislative District 6, which includes portions of Coconino, Yavapai, Navajo and Gila counties.

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