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## FLEOA SEEKS MAJOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION DURING POLICE WEEK

(Washington, D.C.) – The Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA) is pushing for major legislative action during National Police Week, including [H.R. 2137](#), the Federal Law Enforcement Self-Defense and Protection Act, which would ensure federal law enforcement officers maintain the ability to carry their government-issued firearms and credentials during periods of a government shutdown or furlough.

“Along with our partners, FLEOA has been working to move much-needed legislation that would strengthen protections and better enable the law enforcement community to carry out its duty on behalf of the American people,” said FLEOA National President Nathan Catura. “The Federal Law Enforcement Self-Defense and Protection Act is particularly pressing, and we thank Congressman Collins and the other co-sponsors for identifying and addressing this need.”

Additional legislation supported by FLEOA includes:

- [S. 125](#), which would reauthorize the Department of Justice Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program (BVP)
- [S. 2862](#), which would protect probation officers and give them the authority to arrest a third party who forcibly interferes with an officer's performance of his or her official duties.
- [S. 2755](#), the Fallen Heroes Flag Act, which would provide a U.S. Capitol-flown flag to the families of law enforcement officers, firefighters, and EMTs killed in the line of duty
- [H.R. 3209](#), the Recovering Missing Children Act, which would allow law enforcement to access certain tax return information in missing or exploited children investigations
- and [S. 1352](#), the Children of Fallen Heroes Scholarship Act, which would enable the children of fallen officers to more easily access higher education funding

National Police Week brings between 25,000 to 40,000 attendees to Washington, DC to participate various events that honor those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice. Attendees come from departments throughout the United States as well as from agencies throughout the world.

“National Police Week is a time to honor the men and women who selflessly put their lives on the line to serve and to commemorate those who gave the ultimate sacrifice protecting our communities,” Catura said.

2016 National Police Week is May 8-14.

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*The Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association ([www.fleoa.org](http://www.fleoa.org)) is the largest nonprofit, nonpartisan professional association that exclusively represents over 26,000 active and retired federal law enforcement officers from over 65 Agencies.*