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FLEOA Joins NPBC in Telling CA to Stop Preventing Law Enforcement from Enforcing Law

Washington, D.C. – The Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA) – a not-for-profit, non-political professional association representing over 26,000 active and retired federal law enforcement officers across 65 agencies – has joined with the National Border Patrol Council (NBPC) in filing an amicus brief in California, calling for a preliminary injunction on SB 54, the so-called “sanctuary city bill” which makes it more difficult for California employers and law enforcement officers to cooperate with federal law enforcement and immigration enforcement entities.

The amicus brief makes two main arguments, contending 1.) that “SB 54 radically alters federal enforcement programs and places federal law enforcement officers at risk,” and 2.) that “SB 54 compromises national security by restricting state and local cooperation with ICE investigations.”

FLEOA National President Nathan R. Catura said, “**By restricting cooperation between state law enforcement entities and federal immigration officers, California officials are violating a basic trust. In these dangerous times for law enforcement, the sharing of information, open communication, and operational cooperation are some of the only advantages law enforcement officers have over our adversaries.**”

Catura continued, “**We hope California courts will see reason and understand that, by preventing employers from assisting our agents when they are conducting investigations, the longstanding cooperative relationship between law enforcement and the people we protect is eroded. The law abiding citizens of California should be outraged at this blatant disregard for the laws that our agents are sworn to protect.**”

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