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Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Joe Gaetano and I am the President of the Judicial Marshal's Union (IBPO Local 731).

I am submitting written testimony on the issue addressed on H.B. 6462.

Whereas, many of the provisions of the Police Accountability Act (P.A.A.) are now law, one section in particular is not yet in effect. According to the current provisions of the P.A.A., the Section 29 (Use of Force) effective date is APRIL 1, 2021. H.B. 6462 proposes that the APRIL 1, 2021 date be extended until OCTOBER 1, 2022.

Whereas, the operational impacts of the P.A.A. are being discovered daily and the overall concepts of the P.A.A. may still be divisive topics of public policy, myself and the Judicial Marshal's I represent can agree that extending the effective date of Section 29 until OCTOBER 1, 2022 is a good first step in addressing the shortcomings of the P.A.A.

Thank you for your time, and I urge you to pass this bill.

Sincerely,

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