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PLEASE use common sense as you deliberate this issue. I'm retired law enforcement and while I agree there is some need for law enforcement to change, this issue will have devastating results....results you aren't expecting. Would you appreciate your personal information accessible to the public? Why can't we instead, hold our police chiefs and sheriffs responsible for the quality of people they hire and maintain?

Many current police officers I know are leaving the profession; most law enforcement agencies are short personnel and can't find qualified applicants. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out the long term impact this will have on ALL OF US. Doesn't the increase in violent crimes speak for itself?

PLEASE consider the devastating impact this proposed legislation will have....

Do YOU know how many vacancies the Virginia State Police have right now? How about the local law enforcement agency where you live?

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