

To take action on our commitment to supporting police reform, the ANA Advocacy Committee, the HNS Social Justice and Advocacy Task Force, and the SBN Executive Committee, are working to support Bill [H.R. 7120](#) which is currently on the House floor, called the Justice in Policing Act. The bill calls for substantial police reform, such as banning chokeholds and strangleholds, requiring body and dashboard cameras, creating a misconduct registry for officers, making it easier to investigate and prosecute offending officers, reinvesting in community-based programs, demilitarizing the police, and finally, making lynching a federal crime. Bill H.R. 7120 is supported by numerous civil rights groups, including the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, NAACP and NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, National Urban League, and National Action Network. The bill has passed the House Judiciary Committee and will be up for a House vote at the end of this week. Attached is a factsheet of the bill.

For those who are interested in supporting this legislation, we urge you to reach out to your representatives' offices via telephone and/or email. Contact information for your representative can be found at <https://www.house.gov/htbin/findrep>. For your reference, we are providing a telephone/email script (below), as well as additional supportive arguments that you may wish to include in your phone call/email. Calling your representative is the most effective way to advocate for this bill; however, we understand that it might be easier for some of you to send an email. You can also support this legislation by sharing this information on social media and encouraging others to contact their representatives as well!

Find Your Representative

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Telephone/Email Script

Hello, my name is [insert your name] and I am your constituent from [insert city and state and District]. I am a [neuropsychologist/psychologist/psychology intern/psychology graduate student] and a member of the [Asian Neuropsychological Association/Hispanic Neuropsychological Society/Society for Black Neuropsychology]. I am calling [or writing] today to urge Representative [representative name] to support H.R. 7120, the Justice in Policing Act. Our whole nation is crying out for change, and we need Congress to take swift and judicious action. H.R. 7120 makes clear that Black lives matter and that police brutality, misconduct, harassment, and killing have no place in America. Most importantly, H.R. 7120 supports the banning of chokeholds and strangleholds, which can be deadly or have lasting neurocognitive impacts on the brain. It's a significant step to protect people and ensure accountability against police violence. Thank you for your time and for considering my request for your support.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

Additional Talking Points (for people who want to elaborate in an email/letter or they want to speak more to their reps)

- Bill H.R. 7120 will hold the police accountable by requiring body and dashboard cameras and creating a misconduct registry to prevent offending officers from moving to another jurisdiction without any accountability.
- Bill H.R. 7120 will make it easier to investigate and prosecute offending officers, making it clear that police brutality HAS consequences.
- It is critical to reinvest back into the communities. Bill H.R. 7120 will support community-based programs to change the culture of law enforcement and re-imagine public safety.
- Bill H.R. 7120 will take the first step toward demilitarizing the police, which will help make the residents feel safe in their own communities.
- As it is long overdue, Bill H.R. 7120 will finally make lynching a federal crime.

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