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Chair Aaron Michlewitz
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Please accept the following testimony in regard to SB2820:

Dear Chair Michlewitz & Chair Cronin,

I wish to express my concerns, the concerns of the men and women of the Lakeville Police Department, and those concerns of the citizens of Lakeville who fear the negative consequences of SB2820. Changing any protections to qualified immunity will no doubt change the way police officers protect and serve. Officers who are committed to giving 100% will be left second guessing every decision. This will lead to a drastic decrease in proactive policing and a drastic increase in crime. Other sections of SB2820 will also have negative consequences and should be carefully weighed. Please, stop the vilification of police officers.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Perkins".

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