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THE RI COMMUNITY PROTECTION ACT

This act requires law enforcement officers to display **clearly visible identification** during public interactions and **limits the use of face coverings** except in specific safety-related circumstances.

Residents have a right to know who is exercising authority over them.

The unprecedented and widespread practice of law enforcement officers concealing their identities undermines accountability, erodes public trust, and makes it difficult for residents to verify who is exercising official authority.

Rhode Island would join over 20 states fighting for **transparency & accountability** including:

- California
- Washington
- Tennessee
- Colorado
- Michigan
- Massachusetts
- New York
- Pennsylvania
- Minnesota
- & more

Clear identification protects everyone by

- reducing risk of dangerous misunderstandings
- prevents law enforcement impersonations
- strengthening **oversight & public accountability**