HB 1214 -- FOURTH AMENDMENT AFFIRMATION ACT

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Currently, there is certain specified information a peace officer is required to report to his or her agency of employment every time he or she stops a driver of a motor vehicle, and each law enforcement agency is required to compile the data and report it to the Attorney General. The Attorney General is required to submit a report to the Governor, the General Assembly, and each law enforcement agency after analyzing such information. This bill adds to the Attorney General's the requirement that it contain an explanation of what disproportions were identified and how such disproportions could be accounted for by alternative legitimate factors.

The bill specifies that every member of a law enforcement agency in Missouri, including civilian employees and parties contracted by the law enforcement agency is prohibited from engaging in unlawful policing, and each law enforcement agency shall promulgate internal policies to control unlawful policing. Such internal policies are required to contain certain information specified in the bill.