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## 2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 437

July 14, 2017 - Introduced by Representatives C. TAYLOR, GOYKE, BOWEN, ANDERSON, CROWLEY, BERCEAU, OHNSTAD, SARGENT, CONSIDINE and KESSLER, cosponsored by Senators JOHNSON and RISSER. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 66.0511 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** public access to policies  
2           regarding the use of force by law enforcement.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Current law requires each law enforcement agency to prepare a policy regarding the use of force by its law enforcement officers and to make the policy available for public scrutiny. This bill requires the law enforcement agency to post its policy on the law enforcement agency website or, if the agency does not have one, on the site maintained by the municipality over which the law enforcement agency has jurisdiction.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

3           **SECTION 1.** 66.0511 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:  
4           66.0511 (2) USE OF FORCE POLICY. Each person in charge of a law enforcement  
5           agency shall prepare in writing and ~~make available for public scrutiny~~ a policy or  
6           standard regulating the use of force by law enforcement officers in the performance  
7           of their duties. The law enforcement agency shall make the policy publicly available

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1 on a website maintained by the law enforcement agency or, if the agency does not  
2 maintain its own site, on a website maintained by the municipality over which the  
3 law enforcement agency has jurisdiction.

4 (END)