

SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT ORDER

DATE/TIME: DECEMBER 29, 2023 1051 HOURS
NUMBER: OR 23-26
SUBJECT: NEW PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC STOP LAW (2806.5 CVC)
SCOPE: ALL SWORN MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT
DEPARTMENT PROCEDURE AFFECTED: 7.01

As listed in Training Bulletin 23-14, issued on November 22, 2023, **California Vehicle Code 2806.5 will take effect on January 1, 2024**. Department personnel shall review this law and be prepared to follow it on or before its effective date. The law states:

A peace officer making a traffic or pedestrian stop, before engaging in questioning related to a criminal investigation or traffic violation, shall state the reason for the stop. Cal. Veh. Code § 2806.5(a). The officer shall document the reason for the stop on any citation or police report resulting from the stop. *Id.* This requirement does not apply when the officer reasonably believes that withholding the reason for the stop is necessary to protect life or property from imminent threat, including, but not limited to, cases of terrorism or kidnapping. Cal. Veh. Code 2806.5(b). All SDPD personnel shall comply with this new law.

Please read at squad conferences and give a copy to all personnel.