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Policy, Procedures & Forms

INVESTIGATIVE DETENTION

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POLICY

Certified peace officers (CPOs) may stop and temporarily detain a subject without a warrant in order to investigate a violation or to obtain information. This temporary detention is referred to as an investigative detention.

To initiate a lawful investigative detention, a CPO must have specific, articulable facts which, in light of the CPO's experience and personal knowledge, reasonably raise a suspicion that the subject has committed or was about to commit a criminal act.

PROCEDURES

A CPO may conduct an investigative detention if the CPO:

- can articulate facts demonstrating suspicious or strange behavior;
- has reason to believe that there is a connection between the behavior and a subject; and
- has a reason to believe that there is a connection between the behavior and a criminal act.