

Assembly Hearing Slip

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Date: 10-27-99

Bill No. 558

Subject: Concerns re Police Cars

(Name) Steve Weiner

(Street Address or Route Number)

(City & Zip Code)

Wisconsin Professional Police Association
(Representing)

Speaking In favor:

Speaking against:

Registering In favor:

Registering against:

Speaking for Information only:
Neither for nor against:

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Room 411 West
State Capitol
Madison, WI 53702

Assembly Hearing Slip

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Date: 10/27/99

Bill No. AB 558

Subject: Law enforcement grants

(Name) Casey Ferry

(Street Address or Route Number) 2099 Ironwood Dr.

(City & Zip Code) Green Bay

WI Troopers' Assoc.
(Representing)

Speaking In favor:

Speaking against:

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Assembly Hearing Slip

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Date: 10/26/99

Bill No. AB 558

Subject:

(Name) Rep Dean Kaufert

(Street Address or Route Number)

(City & Zip Code) Madison WI

55th Assembly District
(Representing)

Speaking In favor:

Speaking against:

Registering In favor:

Registering against:

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Neither for nor against:

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ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON CORRECTIONS AND THE COURTS

AGENDA

Wednesday, October 27, 1999
2 PM – Room 415 NW

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Executive Session
 - A. **AB 544** (*Committee*) the lease and operation of correctional facilities and making an appropriation.
- IV. Public Hearing
 - A. **AB 558** (*Kaufert/Drzewiecki*) grants to law enforcement agencies for the purchase of photographic equipment and making an appropriation.
 - B. **AB 533** (*Joint Legislative Council*) authorizing the appointment of assistant district attorneys to provide restorative justice services; authorizing counties and the department of corrections to contract with religious organizations for the provision of services relating to delinquency and crime prevention and the rehabilitation of offenders; inmate rehabilitation; creating the office of government-sectarian facilitation; establishing a grant program for a neighborhood organization incubator; distributing funding for alcohol and other drug abuse services; and making appropriations.
- V. Announcements
 - A. Next meeting – Nov. 4
- VI. Adjournment

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON CORRECTIONS AND THE COURTS

AGENDA

Thursday, November 4, 1999
9 AM – Room 415 NW

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Executive Session
 - A. **AB 558** (*Kaufert/Drzewiecki*) grants to law enforcement agencies for the purchase of photographic equipment and making an appropriation.
 - B. **AB 533** (*Joint Legislative Council*) authorizing the appointment of assistant district attorneys to provide restorative justice services; authorizing counties and the department of corrections to contract with religious organizations for the provision of services relating to delinquency and crime prevention and the rehabilitation of offenders; inmate rehabilitation; creating the office of government-sectarian facilitation; establishing a grant program for a neighborhood organization incubator; distributing funding for alcohol and other drug abuse services; and making appropriations.
- IV. Announcements
 - A. Next meeting – Nov. 17
- V. Adjournment

ORIGINAL UPDATED
 CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB # - 3465/2

INTRODUCTION # AB-558

Admin. Rule #

Subject
Grants to law enforcement agencies for the purchase of photographic equipment

Fiscal Effect

State: No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget Yes No

Increase Existing Appropriation Increase Existing Revenues
 Decrease Existing Appropriation Decrease Existing Revenues
 Create New Appropriation

Decrease Costs

Local: No local government costs

1. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
2. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory

3. Increase Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory
4. Decrease Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:
 Towns Villages Cities
 Counties Others _____
 School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected

GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

20.505(6)(km)

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate:

This bill creates a new appropriation in the Office of Justice Assistance to award grants to law enforcement agencies for the purchase of cameras, other than video cameras. The cameras could be used to document traffic stops and domestic abuse incidents. Recipient agencies would be required to provide 50% matching funds.

Funding for the grants would be provided by a \$1 increase in the surcharge on a person who violates certain laws relating to driving while intoxicated and certain laws relating to domestic abuse. The Department of Health and Family Services will provide an estimate of those revenues.

The Office of Justice Assistance can administer the grant program within existing authority.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications:
None

Prepared By: / Phone # / Agency Name
Tara Brunner/266-0016/Administration

Authorized Signature / Telephone No.
Charles D. McDowell/267-3836

Date
October 26, 1999

FISCAL ESTIMATE FORM

1999 Session

- ORIGINAL UPDATED
 CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB # - 3465/2

INTRODUCTION # AB 558

Admin. Rule #

Subject
Purchase of Photographic Equipment

Fiscal Effect

State: No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget Yes No

- Increase Existing Appropriation Increase Existing Revenues
 Decrease Existing Appropriation Decrease Existing Revenues
 Create New Appropriation

Decrease Costs

Local: No local government costs

1. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
2. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory

3. Increase Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory
4. Decrease Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:
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Fund Sources Affected

- GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

20.435 (6)(hx) in DHFS

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate:

This bill increases the domestic abuse surcharge from \$50 to \$51 and creates a two-part surcharge, part A and part B. The bill directs part A revenues to the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) appropriation 20.435 (3)(hh). Since the part A surcharge remains at the same level as the current surcharge that is deposited to the appropriation, there is no fiscal effect on DHFS or local health and social service agencies. The bill appropriates the part B surcharge to the Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) for a camera grant program. OJA would use the revenues to provide grants to law enforcement agencies to purchase cameras for use in documenting traffic stops and domestic abuse incidents. Revenue deposited to appropriation 20.435 (3)(hh) totaled \$329,118 in FY 99. A 2% increase in the domestic abuse surcharge from \$50 to \$51 would generate revenues of \$6,600 in the proposed part B surcharge to be appropriated to OJA.

The bill also increases the driver improvement surcharge from \$340 to \$341 and increases the percentage of the revenues collected that are retained by the state from 37.6% to 37.78%. Revenues generated by the surcharge totaled \$8,688,492 in FY 99. The proposed one-dollar increase in the surcharge would increase total revenues to \$8,714,046, an increase of approximately \$25,600. All revenues from this surcharge are deposited to DHFS appropriation 20.435 (6)(hx). The bill is estimated to increase revenues in this appropriation by approximately \$25,300. The bill does not increase expenditure authority in the appropriation. The Secretary of the Department of Administration is directed under current law to transfer 31.29% of the revenues deposited in the DHFS appropriation to the Department of Transportation (DOT). The bill decreases the percentage of the funds that the Secretary is directed to transfer to the DOT from 31.29% to 31.05%. It is estimated that the bill would have no fiscal effect on the DOT because the lower percentage of funds transferred is offset by the higher amount of revenues collected as a result of the increase in the surcharge. The bill also directs the DOA Secretary to transfer 0.78% of the amount in the DHFS appropriation to the OJA appropriation 20.505 (6)(km) to be used to pay for the camera grant program. The transfer is estimated to be \$25,700, approximately the same amount as the increase in revenues generated by the increase in the driver improvement surcharge. The fiscal effect of the bill on DHFS will be to increase the revenues deposited to the appropriation 20.435 (6)(hx). Counties would be required to transfer a higher percentage of the surcharge revenues to the state but there would be no fiscal effect, since the higher percentage is offset by the increase in revenues generated by the increase in the surcharge.

Please see the attached worksheet.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications:

Prepared By: / Phone # / Agency Name

DHFS.OSF Sherwood Seigel 267-7805

Authorized Signature / Telephone No.

John Kiesow, 266-9622

Date

November 1, 1999

Domestic Abuse Surcharge

\$329,118 domestic abuse surcharge revenues deposited to DHFS appropriation 20.435 (3)(hh) in FY 99
2% proposed increase (\$51/\$50 = 2%)
\$6,582 proposed increase

Driver Improvement Surcharge

\$3,266,873 driver surcharge revenues deposited to DHFS appropriation 20.435 (6)(hx) in FY 99
37.6% current law transfer to state
\$8,688,492 total collected by counties
1/340 increase in surcharge proposed in bill
\$25,554 revenue increase

\$8,714,046 estimated revenues to be collected by counties under the bill (\$8,668,742 + \$25,554)
37.78% proposed percentage to be transferred to the state
\$3,292,166 total revenues to state
-\$3,266,873 FY 99 revenues
\$25,293 increase in revenues to appropriation 20.435 (6)(hx)

\$3,266,873 driver surcharge revenues deposited to DHFS appropriation 20.435 (6)(hx) in FY 99
31.29% current transfer to DOT appropriation 20.395 (5)(di)
\$1,022,204 current transfer to DOT appropriation 20.395 (5)(di)

\$3,292,166 proposed driver surcharge revenues deposited to DHFS appropriation 20.435 (6)(hx) in FY 99
31.05% proposed transfer to DOT appropriation 20.395 (5)(di)
\$1,022,217 Proposed transfer to DOT appropriation 20.395 (5)(di)

\$3,292,166 proposed driver surcharge revenues deposited to DHFS appropriation 20.435 (6)(hx) in FY 99
.78% proposed transfer to OJA appropriation 20.505 (6)(km)
\$25,678 proposed transfer to OJA appropriation 20.505 (6)(km)

FISCAL ESTIMATE WORKSHEET

1999 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect
DOA-2047 (R10/96)

ORIGINAL UPDATED
 CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB or Bill No./Adm. RuleNo.
AB 558

Amendment No.

Subject

Purchase of Photographic Equipment

I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):

| II. Annualized Costs: | Annualized Fiscal Impact on State funds from: | |
|---|---|-----------------------|
| | Increased Costs | Decreased Costs |
| A. State Costs by Category | | |
| State Operations - Salaries and Fringes | \$ | \$ - |
| (FTE Position Changes) | (FTE) | (- FTE) |
| State Operations - Other Costs | | - |
| Local Assistance | | - |
| Aids to Individuals or Organizations | | - |
| TOTAL State Costs by Category | \$ | \$ - |
| B. State Costs by Source of Funds | | |
| GPR | \$ | \$ - |
| FED | | - |
| PRO/PRS | | - |
| SEG/SEG-S | | - |
| State Revenues Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.) | Increased Rev. | Decreased Rev. |
| GPR Taxes | \$ | \$ - |
| GPR Earned | | - |
| FED | | - |
| PRO/PRS | 25,300 | - |
| SEG/SEG-S | | - |
| TOTAL State Revenues | \$ | \$ - |

NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT

| | STATE | LOCAL |
|------------------------|-----------|----------|
| NET CHANGE IN COSTS | \$ _____ | \$ _____ |
| NET CHANGE IN REVENUES | \$ 25,300 | \$ _____ |

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| Agency/Prepared by: (Name & Phone No.) Sherwood Seigel, 267-7805 | Authorized Signature/Telephone No. John Kiesow, 266-9622  | Date November 1, 1999 |
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Vote Record

Assembly Committee on Corrections and the Courts

Date: 1/4/99
 Moved by: unanimous consent Seconded by: _____
 AB: 558 Clearinghouse Rule: _____
 AB: _____ SB: _____ Appointment: _____
 AJR: _____ SJR: _____ Other: _____
 A: _____ SR: _____

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| Committee Member | Aye | No | Absent | Not Voting |
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| Rep. Scott Walker, Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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Totals: _____

Motion Carried

Motion Failed

Vote Record

Assembly Committee on Corrections and the Courts

Date: 11/4/99
 Moved by: Goetsch Seconded by: Balow
 AB: 558 Clearinghouse Rule: _____
 AB: _____ SB: _____ Appointment: _____
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 A: _____ SR: _____

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Vote Record

Assembly Committee on Corrections and the Courts

Date: 11/4/99
 Moved by: Suder Seconded by: Gundrum
 AB: SSB Clearinghouse Rule: _____
 AB: _____ SB: _____ Appointment: _____
 AJR: _____ SJR: _____ Other: _____
 A: _____ SR: _____

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| Totals: | <u>10</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>1</u> | _____ |



Representative Dean Kaufert

Phone: (608) 266-5719 ~ FAX: (608) 282-3655 ~ E-Mail: Rep.Kaufert@legis.state.wi.us

TO: All Legislators
FROM: Representative Dean Kaufert
DATE: October 12, 1999
RE: LRB 3465/2 grants to law enforcement agencies for the purchase of photographic equipment and making an appropriation.

This bill is aimed at providing local law enforcement with the resource to purchase cameras for their patrol cars if they choose to do so. The cameras would aid in documenting incidents of domestic abuse and driving while intoxicated. An arrest cannot be made solely on evidence taken from the camera. Purchase of the cameras is optional and local law enforcement would have to provide 50% of the cost. Money for cameras at the local level can come from any group such as a local Lions Club, VFW etc.

If you would like to co-sponsor LRB 3465/2, please contact Ed Eberle in my office (266-5719) by **Thursday, October 14th.**

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Office of Justice Administration (OJA) to award grants to law enforcement agencies for the purchase of cameras, other than video cameras. The cameras may be used by law enforcement agencies only to document traffic stops and domestic abuse incidents. As a condition of receiving a grant, a law enforcement agency is required to provide 50% matching funds. A police officer may not make an arrest or issue a traffic citation if the arrest or traffic citation is based solely on evidence obtained from a camera that is purchased with a grant awarded by OJA.

Current law imposes a driver improvement surcharge on a person who violates certain laws relating to driving while intoxicated and a domestic abuse assessment on a person who violates certain laws relating to domestic abuse. This bill increases the driver improvement surcharge from \$340 to \$341 and the domestic abuse assessment from \$50 to \$51. The money collected from the increases in the surcharge and assessment is used to fund the camera grant program.



DEAN R. KAUFERT

WISCONSIN STATE REPRESENTATIVE

To: Members of The Assembly Committee On Corrections and The Courts

From: Rep. Dean Kaufert

Re: Assembly Amendment to AB 558

Dt: November 3, 1999

Attached you will find an amendment (LRBa0918/1) I intend to have offered in the Corrections and Courts Executive Session tomorrow morning.

The amendment provides for \$15,000 each year of the biennium for a grant to be administered by Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) for the purpose of providing photographic equipment in police cars. The amendment deletes the \$1.00 add on to the driver improvement surcharge and domestic abuse assessment.

The change in funding is due to the fact that currently the driver improvement surcharge has a balance of \$800,000 so there is enough money in the fund to support the grant program. \$30,000 is an adequate amount of funding for the purpose AB 558 seeks to achieve. There will be a fiscal bureau memo forthcoming later today which explains the amendment and bill in greater detail.

Please do not hesitate to contact me in the meantime at 266-5719 with any questions. Thank you.

Member, Joint Committee on Finance

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State Representative Dean R. Kaufert

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:
STATE REPRESENTATIVE DEAN KAUFERT, (608) 266-5719

November 7, 1999

GRANT FOR CAMERAS IN POLICE CARS MOVES FOWARD

Neenah Lawmaker Leads Effort To Support Local Law Enforcement

MADISON... Assembly Bill 558, which establishes a grant program for cameras in police cars, is a step further to becoming law said State Representative Dean Kaufert (R-Neenah). The Assembly Committee on Corrections and the Courts passed the legislation on a bipartisan vote of 10 to 1.

"This will be a tremendous help police departments that may not have the funds to purchase cameras for all their police cars," said Kaufert "The cameras are another tool in aiding police officers on their beat."

Kaufert noted the legislation is not an effort to utilize cameras to catch speeders. The cameras are solely for police officers to document evidence. "Having immediate access to a camera could be a huge help in preserving evidence or documenting injuries and property damage," said Kaufert.

The bill requires the Office of Justice Administration (OJA) to award grants to law enforcement agencies for the purchase of cameras. The cameras may be used by law enforcement agencies to document traffic stops and domestic abuse incidents. As a condition of receiving a grant, a law enforcement agency is required to provide 50% matching funds. A police officer may not make an arrest or issue a traffic citation based solely on evidence obtained from the camera.

Kaufert said there is strong support for the bill by law enforcement agencies and the legislature. In addition, purchase of the cameras is optional and local law enforcement would have to provide 50% of the cost and money. Money for cameras at the local level can come from any group such as a local Lions Club, VFW etc.

"Assembly Republicans are committed to helping local law enforcement strengthen their fight against crime and ensuring safety in local communities," said Kaufert.

AB 558 is expected to have a vote on the Assembly floor during the week of November 8th.

Co sponsorship List For:

LRB 3465/2 grants to law enforcement agencies for the purchase of photographic Equipment and making an appropriation.

(Assembly Bill 558)

Representatives:

1. Kaufert, Dean (Rep) (Author)
2. Walker, Scott (Chair of Corrections and The Courts Committee sent here)
3. Balow, Larry (Dem)(ranking minority member on Corrections and Courts)
4. Jensen, Scott (Rep) (Assembly Speaker)
5. Suder, Scott (Rep) (Vice Chair Corrections and Courts)
6. Owens, Carol (Rep) (member Corrections and Courts)
7. Hoven, Tim (Rep) (member Corrections and Courts)
8. Gundrum, Mark (Rep) (member Corrections and Courts)
9. Coggs, Spencer G. (Dem) (member Corrections and Courts)
10. Spillner, Joan (Rep)
11. Plale, Jeff (Dem)
12. Vrakas, Dan (Rep)
13. Steinbrink, John (Dem)
14. Montgomery, Phil (Dem)
15. Ryba, John (Dem)
16. Handrick, Joe (Rep)
17. Sykora, Tom (Rep)
18. Albers, Sheryl (Rep)
19. Underheim, Gregg

Senators

1. Drzewiecki, Gary (lead author in Senate) (Rep)
2. Darling, Alberta (Rep)
3. Zien, Dave (Rep)



Legislative Fiscal Bureau

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November 3, 1999

TO: Representative Dean Kaufert
Room 22 West, State Capitol

FROM: Rachel Carabell, Fiscal Analyst

SUBJECT: Assembly Amendment (a0918/1) to 1999 Assembly Bill 558: Grants to Law Enforcement Agencies for the Purchase of Photographic Equipment

In response to your request, this memorandum summarizes Assembly Amendment (LRB draft a0918/1) to 1999 Assembly Bill 558 and discusses the projected availability of funding generated from the driver improvement surcharge in the 1999-01 biennium.

Summary of Amendment

As introduced, 1999 AB 558 would create a grant program administered by the Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) to fund the purchase of cameras, other than video cameras, by law enforcement agencies. Cameras purchased with state grant funds could only be used to document traffic stops and domestic abuse incidents. Law enforcement agencies that receive grant funds would be required to contribute matching funds equal to 50% of the grant award. The program would be supported with revenue generated from a \$1 increase in the driver improvement surcharge and the domestic abuse assessment.

The amendment would delete all of the provisions in the bill relating to the increases in the surcharge and the assessment to support the grant program. Instead, the grant program would be supported with unallocated revenues generated from the current driver improvement surcharge. The amendment would provide \$15,000 PR annually from driver improvement surcharge revenues to support the program.

Projected Driver Improvement Surcharge Balances

The driver improvement surcharge, currently \$340, is levied on individuals convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated. Of the total revenue collected from the surcharge, counties forward 37.6% to the State Treasurer. Counties retain the remaining 62.4% to fund substance abuse treatment programs for drivers. In 1998-99, the amount of revenue transferred to the state from revenue collected from the surcharge totaled approximately \$3.3 million.

The surcharge revenue received by the State Treasurer is deposited in a Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) appropriation. From this appropriation, the Department of Administration (DOA) transfers this funding to appropriations in DHFS, the Departments of Public Instruction, Justice, and Transportation and the University of Wisconsin Laboratory of Hygiene to fund various services for drivers. The amount of surcharge revenue transferred to any of these state agencies is limited to the amounts included in the appropriation schedule.

Based on revenue collected in 1998-99, it is estimated that the state will receive \$3,266,900 in both 1999-00 and 2000-01 from the driver improvement surcharge. Expenditures authorized in 1999 Wisconsin Act 9 (the 1999-01 biennial budget act) from the surcharge total approximately \$3,037,000 annually on an ongoing annual basis. Therefore, on an ongoing basis, over \$200,000 in unallocated surcharge revenue is available. In addition, it is estimated that the unallocated revenue from the driver improvement surcharge available at the end of the 1999-01 biennium will total approximately \$828,000 and would be available for expenditure on a one-time basis.

The following table summarizes the funding available in the 1999-01 biennium, based on estimated revenue and current authorized expenditures.

| Driver Improvement Surcharge Projected Balances | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| | <u>1999-00</u> | <u>2000-01</u> |
| Beginning Available Balance | \$1,730,100 | \$598,400 |
| Revenue Forwarded to the State | 3,266,900 | 3,266,900 |
| Authorized Expenditures* | 4,398,600 | 3,037,200 |
| Ending Available Balance | \$598,400 | \$828,100 |

*Includes \$1,361,400 in one-time expenditures in 1999-00.

The table indicates that the unallocated balance of driver improvement surcharge revenues, as of June 30, 2001, is projected to exceed \$800,000. For this reason, there appears to be sufficient

revenue to support the grant program that would be created in AB 558, as amended by LRB a0918/1, without increasing the amount of the surcharge.

I hope you find this information helpful. Please contact me if you require additional information on this matter.

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