

Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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LRB Number 21-3272/1	Introduction Number AB-0465
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Description
 requiring the use of body cameras by law enforcement and providing a penalty

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		

Local:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	5.Types of Local Government Units Affected	
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill requires that the Department of Transportation (DOT) purchase and issue body cameras for all the Department's sworn personnel (located in the Division of State Patrol) by January 1, 2025. This bill will additionally require new information storage capacity, regular review of body camera footage, and the processing of an expected increase in information requests.

It is estimated that the Division of State Patrol (DSP) will require the purchase of 500 body cameras to ensure that all sworn personnel are properly equipped. Before a purchase could be made the procurement process would need to be appropriately followed. The estimated cost of a body camera ranges from \$800 to \$1,200 per unit, creating a purchase cost of between \$400,000 and \$600,000. The per unit purchase price usually includes the cost of maintenance and parts from the vendor for a specified number of years following the purchase.

The requirement in this bill for the regular review of body camera footage will not require additional personnel, due to the replacement of existing DOT review procedures with those set by Law Enforcement Standards Board. Currently, footage from squad-car dashboard cameras is regularly reviewed by State Patrol supervisors. To fulfill the requirements of the bill the supervisors would split their time reviewing footage between the dashboard cameras and body cameras.

Many law enforcement agencies that have already implemented the use of body cameras have shown a substantial rise in received Freedom of Information and open records requests. An informal survey of those agencies suggests DSP will require 1.0 FTE to manage the records requests for each 100-120 officers. To handle this increase in requests the Division of State Patrol estimates that it will require an additional 5.0 FTE positions. These 5.0 FTE would be Records Program Associate – Advanced positions with an estimated total annual cost of salary, fringe, and supplies and services of \$298,500.

The FY2022-23 biennial budget provided to the Division of State Patrol \$700,000 in one-time funding to purchase body cameras in FY22. This one-time funding would allow the Division of State Patrol to pay for the initial purchase of the body cameras but would fail to provide for the associated costs of additional personnel.

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Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fulfilling the requirements of the bill on an on-going basis would cost approximately \$298,500 in salary and fringe annually for 5.0 FTE positions to handle open records requests. The longevity of body cameras is unknown, but the Department assumes up to a 5-year life per camera, after which time the camera would require replacement. The bill offers no increase to the Department of Transportation – Division of State Patrol's annual funding appropriation, Wis. Stat. §20.395 (5)(dq), to cover these expenses.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2021 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): No impact, as the recent biennial budget act appropriated sufficient revenue for purchase of body cameras		
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:
	Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category		
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$298,500	\$
(FTE Position Changes)	(5.0 FTE)	
State Operations - Other Costs		
Local Assistance		
Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$298,500	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds		
GPR		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S (§20.395 (5)(dq))	298,500	
III. 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		
SEG/SEG-S		
TOTAL State Revenues	\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT		
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$298,500	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$
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