

HOUSE BILL 2611

By Gilmore

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10, Chapter 7 and Title 38, Chapter 8, relative to body cameras for law enforcement officers and the handling of records produced by body cameras.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 10-7-504, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

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(1) All records, including images and audio, of a person who is captured on a law enforcement officer's body camera shall be treated as confidential and shall not be open for inspection by members of the public if, at the time of the recording, the person:

(A) Was not the subject of the officer's investigation or interaction that caused the officer to activate the camera;

(B) Was in a place the person had a right to be;

(C) Was not engaged in unlawful activity; and

(D) Had a reasonable expectation of privacy.

(2) As used in this subsection, "law enforcement officer" has the same meaning as used in § 39-11-106.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.