

SENATE BILL 442

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10, Chapter 7 and Title 38, relative to law enforcement body camera video.

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:

(1) Video taken by a law enforcement body camera that depicts the following:

(A) Law enforcement interactions with minors;

(B) The interior of a facility licensed under title 68, chapter 11, part 2, or title 33, chapter 2, part 4; or

(C) The interior of a private residence, which is not being investigated as a crime scene.

(2) Nothing in this subsection () shall prevent the district attorney general or attorney general and reporter and counsel for a defendant charged with a criminal offense from providing to each other in a pending criminal case or appeal, where the constitutional rights of the defendant require it, information which otherwise may be held confidential under this subsection ().

(3) Nothing in this subsection () shall be used to limit or deny access to otherwise public information because a file, document, or data file contains some information made confidential by subdivision ()(1); provided, that confidential information shall be redacted before any access is granted to a member of the public.

(4) Nothing in this subsection () shall be construed to limit access to records by law enforcement agencies, courts, or other governmental agencies performing official functions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.