

**By** the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice;  
and Senator Burgess

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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

17           Section 1. Section 162.41, Florida Statutes, is created to  
18 read:

19           162.41 Code inspector body cameras; policies and  
20       procedures.—

21 (1) As used in this section, the term:

22                   (a) “Body camera” means a portable electronic recording  
23 device worn on a code inspector’s person which records audio and  
24 video data of the code inspector’s encounters and activities.

25 (b) "Code inspector" has the same meaning as in s.

26 162.04 (2).

27       (2) A governmental entity that permits its code inspectors  
28 to wear body cameras shall establish policies and procedures  
29 addressing the proper use, maintenance, and storage of body

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30       cameras and the data recorded by body cameras. The policies and  
31       procedures must include all of the following:

32        (a) General guidelines for the proper use, maintenance, and  
33       storage of body cameras.

34        (b) Any limitation on which code inspectors are permitted  
35       to wear body cameras.

36        (c) Any limitation on code enforcement-related encounters  
37       and activities in which code inspectors are permitted to wear  
38       body cameras. A code inspector must be permitted to use a body  
39       camera to record any encounter with a member of the public which  
40       occurs while the inspector is performing his or her duties.

41        (d) General guidelines for the proper storage, retention,  
42       and release of audio and video data recorded by body cameras.

43        (3) A governmental entity that permits its code inspectors  
44       to wear body cameras shall do all of the following:

45        (a) Ensure that all personnel who wear, use, maintain, or  
46       store body cameras are trained in the governmental entity's body  
47       camera policies and procedures.

48        (b) Ensure that all personnel who use, maintain, store, or  
49       release audio or video data recorded by body cameras are trained  
50       in the governmental entity's policies and procedures.

51        (c) Retain audio and video data recorded by body cameras in  
52       accordance with the requirements of s. 119.021, except as  
53       otherwise provided by law.

54        (d) Perform a periodic review of actual body camera  
55       practices to ensure conformity with the governmental entity's  
56       body camera policies and procedures.

57        (4) Chapter 934 does not apply to body camera recordings  
58       made by code inspectors who elect to use body cameras.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.