

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to law enforcement body cameras;
3 amending s. 943.1718, F.S.; requiring law enforcement
4 agencies to develop guidelines authorizing an
5 officer's review of camera footage of an incident
6 before writing a report or providing a statement;
7 providing an effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section
12 943.1718, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (e),
13 and a new paragraph (d) is added to that subsection, to read:

14 943.1718 Body cameras; policies and procedures.—

15 (2) A law enforcement agency that permits its law
16 enforcement officers to wear body cameras shall establish
17 policies and procedures addressing the proper use, maintenance,
18 and storage of body cameras and the data recorded by body
19 cameras. The policies and procedures must include:

20 (d) General guidelines authorizing a law enforcement
21 officer using a body camera during an incident to review the
22 relevant video footage of the incident from the camera before
23 writing a report on or providing a statement about the incident.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.