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SB-225

AN ACT CONCERNING FEES FOR COPYING, REVIEWING AND REDACTING RECORDS CREATED BY POLICE BODY-WORN RECORDING EQUIPMENT AND DASHBOARD CAMERAS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Various State Agencies	Various - Potential Revenue Gain	See Below	See Below

Note: Various=Various

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Municipal Police Departments	Potential Revenue Gain	See Below	See Below

Explanation

The bill results in a potential revenue gain to various state agencies¹ and municipal police departments by allowing such agencies, under certain circumstances, to charge a fee for redacting body and dashboard camera recordings prior to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. The bill prohibits an agency from charging a fee for the first four hours of its labor costs for redacting the requested record. Beyond this, such agencies may charge up to \$100 per hour of the requested

¹ These agencies include, but are not limited to, the Connecticut State Police, the University of Connecticut Police Department, the police departments of the Connecticut State Colleges & Universities, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Police, and the Environmental Conservation Police in the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

recording's actual duration.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of requested records eligible for redaction fees.