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Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: SB 582

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SUMMARY

Digest: The Act changes laws about police body camera footage. The Act takes effect on the 91st day after sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).

Prohibits a police officer involved in a use of deadly physical force incident from reviewing body camera recordings before participating in an interview about the incident.

Creates an alternative court process for a person denied access to a public record consisting of a body camera recording of a law enforcement use of deadly physical force incident.

Directs the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to create technical standards for the maintenance and secure storage of body camera recordings.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure creates an alternative court process for a person denied access to a public record pertaining to the use of deadly physical force by a police officer.

Currently when a person is denied access to a public record, the person may petition the district attorney of the county in which the public record is located to order the public record to be made available for inspection or to be produced.