

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2015, Legislative Day No. 20

Resolution No. 21-15

Introduced by Mr. Pruski and Mr. Walker

By the County Council, May 18, 2015

1 RESOLUTION supporting the study of Body-Worn Digital Recording Devices for
2 Law Enforcement Officers by the State of Maryland Commission Regarding the
3 Implementation and Use of Body Cameras by Law Enforcement Officers
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5 WHEREAS, the issue of body-worn cameras by law enforcement officers has
6 warranted attention and discussion at the State and local levels but, according to
7 several reports, the need for definitive recommendations on their implementation
8 and use still exists; and
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10 WHEREAS, neighboring jurisdictions and municipalities have implemented or
11 plan to implement the use of body-worn cameras by law enforcement officers as a
12 means of documenting encounters with citizens and arrests; and
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14 WHEREAS, Chapter 129 of the Laws of Maryland, passed by the General
15 Assembly in 2015 and signed by the Governor on May 12, 2015, establishes a
16 Commission Regarding the Implementation and Use of Body Cameras by Law
17 Enforcement; and
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19 WHEREAS, Chapter 129 also provides for the creation of guidelines for the
20 issuance and use of body-worn cameras by the Maryland Police Training
21 Commission on or before January 1, 2016; and
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23 WHEREAS, the County Council supports this important effort and looks forward
24 to receiving recommendations and guidelines for the use of body-worn cameras;
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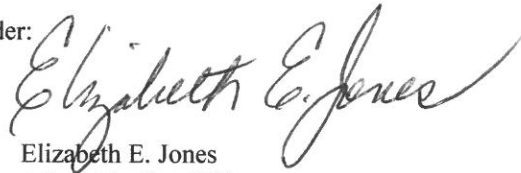
27 WHEREAS, the County Council urges the support and cooperation of the Anne
28 Arundel County Police Department and the Anne Arundel County Sheriff's
29 Department in furtherance of this effort; now, therefore, be it
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31 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,* that the County
32 Council supports the study of Body-Worn Digital Recording Devices for Law
33 Enforcement Officers by the Commission Regarding the Implementation and Use of
34 Body Cameras by Law Enforcement Officers and the development of guidelines for the
35 use of body-worn cameras by the Maryland Police Training Commission; and, be it
36 further

- 1 *Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to County Executive Steven R.
- 2 Schuh, Anne Arundel County Chief of Police Timothy Altomare and Anne Arundel
- 3 County Sheriff Ron Bateman.

READ AND PASSED this 18th^h day of May, 2015

By Order:



Elizabeth E. Jones
Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 21-15 IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.



Jerry Walker
Chairman