



Date: 3/3/26

To: Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

Illinois Governor's Office

Illinois General Assembly

Re: Annual Body Worn Camera Report (50 ILCS 706/10-1)

Please find below information required by statute pertaining to Body Worn Camera use by the Metropolis Police Department.

Department Makeup

The Metropolis Police Department initiated a Body Worn Camera (BWC) program in the latter part of 2023. There are 16 sworn officers, including me, all of whom have been issued body worn cameras and are required to wear them during all calls for service or during the performance of law enforcement-related encounters or activities. Members are not required to activate their BWC during casual or informal contacts with members of the public that are not part of or related to law enforcement-related encounters or activities, or while inside a patrol car equipped with functioning Mobile Audio/Video (MAV).

Technical Issues

The department has not experienced any specific technical issues, other than the occasional service interruption which we are notified of via email and are always quickly resolved.

Review

All videos that contain any use of force are reviewed by the sergeant and/or Chief of police to ensure adherence to laws and policy. Any other videos are reviewed either at random or if a complaint is filed.

Sincerely,

Chief Harry Masse

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