

2016 Kansas Statutes

45-254. Law enforcement recordings using body camera or vehicle camera; criminal investigation records; disclosure. (a) Every audio or video recording made and retained by law enforcement using a body camera or a vehicle camera shall be considered a criminal investigation record as defined in K.S.A. 45-217, and amendments thereto. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2021, unless the legislature reviews and reenacts this provision pursuant to K.S.A. 45-229, and amendments thereto, prior to July 1, 2021.

(b) In addition to any disclosure authorized pursuant to the open records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto, a person described in subsection (c) may request to listen to an audio recording or to view a video recording made by a body camera or a vehicle camera. The law enforcement agency shall allow the person to listen to the requested audio recording or to view the requested video recording, and may charge a reasonable fee for such services provided by the law enforcement agency.

(c) Any of the following may make a request under subsection (b):

- (1) A person who is a subject of the recording;
- (2) a parent or legal guardian of a person under 18 years of age who is a subject of the recording;
- (3) an attorney for a person described in subsection (c)(1) or (c)(2); and
- (4) an heir at law, an executor or an administrator of a decedent, when the decedent is a subject of the recording.

(d) As used in this section:

- (1) "Body camera" means a device that is worn by a law enforcement officer that electronically records audio or video of such officer's activities.
- (2) "Vehicle camera" means a device that is attached to a law enforcement vehicle that electronically records audio or video of law enforcement officers' activities.

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