

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)

3 HOUSE BILL 3515

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to criminal procedure; requiring the  
8 use of body-worn recording equipment under certain  
9 circumstances; prohibiting the editing, erasing,  
10 copying, altering or distributing of the recordings;  
11 making certain acts unlawful; providing penalty;  
12 defining term; providing for codification; and  
13 providing an effective date.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 212 of Title 22, unless there is  
17 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. Beginning November 1, 2020, every law enforcement agency in  
19 this state that supplies its officers with body-worn recording  
20 equipment shall require the use of said body-worn recording  
21 equipment at all times while interacting with the public.

22 B. Except as required by federal or state law, no officer  
23 employed by a law enforcement agency in this state shall edit,  
24 redact, erase, copy, share or otherwise alter or distribute in any

1 manner any recording made by the body-worn recording equipment or  
2 the data from such recording.

3 C. It shall be unlawful for a law enforcement officer with the  
4 intent to obstruct justice, to fail to turn on, to disable, to turn  
5 off or operate body-worn recording equipment in any manner that  
6 prevents the creation of evidence. Any law enforcement officer who  
7 violates the provisions of this subsection shall, upon conviction,  
8 be guilty of a misdemeanor.

9 D. As used in this section, "body-worn recording equipment"  
10 means an electronic recording device that is capable of recording  
11 audio and video.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.

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