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A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To require, on a temporary basis, the Metropolitan Police Department officers to document identifying information for all law enforcement officers present at the scene of an arrest and any use of force in arrest reports and probable cause affidavits; and to amend the Body-Worn Camera Regulation and Reporting Requirements Act of 2015 to require body camera footage transparency in use-of-force events.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Full Accountability in Arrest Reporting Temporary Amendment Act of 2026”.

42 Sec. 2. Arrest report and probable cause affidavit transparency requirements.

43 (a) A member of the Metropolitan Police Department preparing an arrest report shall  
44 include, to the extent known at the time of the report:

45 (1) The name, badge number or other identifying number, and employing agency  
46 of each law enforcement officer present at the scene; and

47 (2) Whether any law enforcement officer present at the scene used force during the  
48 arrest, and if so, a description of the force used.

49 (3) The number of unidentified law enforcement officers at the scene and whether  
50 any law enforcement officer declined to disclose their identity.

51 (b) A member of the Metropolitan Police Department preparing a probable cause affidavit  
52 shall include, to the extent known at the time of the report:

53 (1) The name, badge number or other identifying number, and employing agency of  
54 each law enforcement officer present at the scene; and

55 (2) Whether any law enforcement officer present at the scene used force during the  
56 arrest, and if so, a description of the force used.

57 (3) The number of unidentified law enforcement officers at the scene and whether  
58 any law enforcement officer declined to disclose their identity.

59 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to impose any legal obligation on any law  
60 enforcement officer other than a member of the Metropolitan Police Department.

61 (d) For the purposes of this section, the term:

62 (1) “Law enforcement officer” means any sworn member of the Metropolitan  
63 Police Department or any federal or local law enforcement officer acting to enforce local law  
64 within the District of Columbia.

65 (2) “Probable cause affidavit” means any affidavit prepared by a member of the  
66 Metropolitan Police Department to establish probable cause following a warrantless arrest.

67 Sec. 3. Section 3004 of the Body-Worn Camera Regulation and Reporting Requirements  
68 Act of 2015, effective October 22, 2015 (D.C. Law 21-36; D.C. Official Code 5-116.33); is  
69 amended as follows:

70 (a) Subsection (c) is amended by adding a new paragraph (2A) to read as follows:

71 “(2A)(A) Within 5 business days after an incident in which a federal law  
72 enforcement officer commits a serious use of force against an individual in the presence of one  
73 or more members of the Metropolitan Police Department, and the incident is captured in whole  
74 or in part on a body-worn camera recording made by a member of the Metropolitan Police  
75 Department, the Mayor shall publicly release:

76 “(i) The body-worn camera recordings of all Metropolitan Police  
77 Department members whose cameras recorded any portion of the incident; and

78 “(ii) A description of the incident.

79 “(B) A release made pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall  
80 be subject to the consent provisions in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

81 (b) Subsection (g) is amended by adding a new paragraph (4) to read as follows:

82 “(4) ‘Federal law enforcement officer’ means an officer, agent, or employee of the  
83 United States, or of any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States, who is  
84 empowered by law to make arrests, conduct investigations, or carry firearms in the performance  
85 of law enforcement duties.”

86 (c) For the purposes of this section, the term:

87 (1) “Serious use of force” means any action included in § 5–116.33(g)(3)

88 except when federal law enforcement officers, rather than Metropolitan Police Department  
89 officers, are engaging in the listed actions.

90 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

91 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact  
92 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved  
93 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

94 Sec. 5. Effective date.

95 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the  
96 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than  
97 225 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section  
98 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788;  
99 D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).