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## **Overview**

This bill amends biennial audit requirements and other data-related requirements on law enforcement agencies using automatic license plate readers (ALPRs) and body cameras.

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- ALPR: public log of use. This section amends the requirements for what data a law enforcement agency must record in a public log of use when it uses an ALPR. The bill requires that, for each period of active use, the agency must record and maintain the number of individual vehicles or license plates identified by the ALPR that fall into the following three categories:
  - (1) stolen vehicle or license plate;
  - (2) vehicle owner has outstanding arrest warrant; and
  - (3) vehicle owner has a suspended, revoked, or canceled driver's license.
- ALPR: biennial audit. This section amends the requirements for the mandatory biennial audit of a law enforcement agency's ALPR data to ensure compliance with this section of law.
  - (a) Changes to this paragraph require that the biennial audit be performed by the state auditor or a private auditing firm, and that the audit report be submitted to the legislature by July 1 of each odd-numbered year.

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- (b) Changes in this paragraph require that the following information be included in the public audit report:
  - (1) the number and types of ALPRs used by the agency and contract information for the ALPRs vendors;
  - (2) all information in the public log of use for the biennial period; and
  - (3) all agency policies regarding ALPR data.
- (c) Changes in this paragraph give the commissioner of administration the authority to order the agency to perform supplemental audits, if the agency's audit report contains signs of noncompliance.
- **ALPR: authorization to access data.** This section includes a clarifying change, moving a sentence from paragraph (c) to paragraph (b).
- 4 ALPR: notification to Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA). Clarifies that a law enforcement agency must make two separate notifications to the BCA: one when it first acquires ALPR technology, and again when it begins utilizing the technology.
- Body cameras: authorization to access data. Changes in this section tighten controls on who at a law enforcement agency can access body camera data by requiring role-based access. The agency is also required to maintain a public "data audit trail" that records information regarding any access of the body camera data by a person within the law enforcement agency.
- **Body cameras: biennial audit.** Changes in this section align the biennial audit subdivision in the body camera statute with the biennial audit subdivision in the ALPR statute, as amended in section 2.
  - (a) Changes to this paragraph require that the biennial audit be performed by the state auditor or a private auditing firm, and that the audit report be submitted to the legislature by July 1 of each odd-numbered year.
  - (b) Changes in this paragraph require that the following information be included in the public audit report:
    - (1) all information currently required to be collected in the agency's inventory of body camera technology (see § 13.085, subd. 5); and
    - (2) all agency policies regarding body camera data.