

113TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 5407

To direct the Attorney General to conduct a study on the cost of the purchase and use of body cameras by State and local law enforcement agencies, and to require law enforcement agencies to purchase and use body cameras as a condition on the receipt of Federal funding, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Transparency in Polic-
5 ing Act of 2014” or the “TIP Act of 2014”.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDY ON THE COST OF THE PURCHASE AND USE**
2 **OF BODY CAMERAS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT**
3 **AGENCIES.**

4 (a) **STUDY.**—The Attorney General shall conduct a
5 study on the cost to State and local law enforcement agen-
6 cies of purchasing and using body cameras.

7 (b) **REPORT.**—Not later than 90 days after the date
8 of the enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall
9 submit to Congress a report that contains the results of
10 the study conducted under subsection (a).

11 **SEC. 3. REQUIREMENT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**
12 **TO PURCHASE AND USE BODY CAMERAS.**

13 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Beginning on the date that is 90
14 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, a State
15 or local law enforcement agency that receives Federal
16 funds from a grant program carried out by the Depart-
17 ment of Justice shall, as a condition of receipt of such
18 funds, purchase body cameras for use by the law enforce-
19 ment officers employed by that law enforcement agency.

20 (b) **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY.**—The Attorney Gen-
21 eral shall make rules to implement the requirement under
22 subsection (a).

23 (c) **WAIVER.**—The Attorney General may waive the
24 requirement under subsection (a) for a law enforcement
25 agency if the Attorney General determines that compliance

- 1 with such requirement would create a hardship for the law
- 2 enforcement agency.

