

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB3698

Introduced 2/9/2024, by Sen. Christopher Belt

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

605 ILCS 140/5

Amends the Expressway Camera Act. Provides that funds needed to conduct the program for use on expressways under the jurisdiction of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority may be used for equipment, installation, service, and maintenance of the camera systems, telecommunication costs, and for camera warranties.

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Expressway Camera Act is amended by changing Section 5 as follows:
- 6 (605 ILCS 140/5)

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- 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2025)
- 8 Sec. 5. Camera program.
- 9 (a) The Illinois State Police, the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority 10 shall work together to conduct a program to increase the 11 12 amount of cameras along (i) expressways and the State highway 13 system in the counties of Boone, Bureau, Champaign, Cook, 14 DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Henry, Kane, Kendall, Lake, LaSalle, Macon, Madison, McHenry, Morgan, Peoria, Rock 15 16 St. Clair, Will, and Winnebago Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive in Cook County. 17 Within 90 days after June 3, 2022 (the effective date of Public 18 19 Act 102-1042), details about the program objectives, counties where the program is operational, and policies under which the 20
- 23 (b) Images from the cameras may be extracted by any

program operates shall be made publicly available and posted

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authorized user and used by any municipal police department, county sheriff's office, State Police officer, or other law enforcement agency with jurisdiction in the investigation of any offenses involving vehicular hijacking, aggravated vehicular hijacking, terrorism, motor vehicle theft, or any forcible felony, including, but not limited to, offenses involving the use of a firearm; to detect expressway hazards and highway conditions; and to facilitate highway safety and incident management. Images from the cameras shall not be used to enforce petty offenses or offenses not listed in this subsection, unless use of the images pertains to expressway or highway safety or hazards. Images from the cameras may be used by any law enforcement agency conducting an active law enforcement investigation. All images from the cameras shall be deleted within 120 days, unless the images are relevant to an ongoing investigation or pending criminal trial. Cameras shall not be used to monitor individuals or groups in a discriminatory manner contrary to applicable State or federal law.

- (b-5) By June 30th of each year, the Illinois State Police, the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority shall issue a joint report to the General Assembly detailing the program operations, including, but not limited to:
 - (1) the cost of installation of cameras by county;
- (2) the cost of ongoing maintenance of the camera

systems per county, including electrical costs and data transfer costs;

- (3) the number of inquiries where the investigation involved the criminal offenses outlined in subsection (b); and
- (4) the number of incidents in which law enforcement searched the stored data for the criminal offenses outlined in subsection (b).
- (c) Subject to appropriation, any funds needed to conduct the program for use on the expressways or State highway system under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation shall be taken from the Road Fund and shall be included in requests for qualification processes. Any funds needed to conduct the program for use on expressways under the jurisdiction of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority shall be paid for by funds from the Illinois State Tollway Highway Authority and shall be included in requests for qualification processes. Funds may be used for equipment, installation, service, and maintenance of the camera systems, telecommunication costs, and for camera warranties.
- (c-5) Any forcible felony, gunrunning, or firearms trafficking offense, as defined in Section 2-8, 24-3a, or 24-3b of the Criminal Code of 2012, respectively, committed on an expressway monitored by a camera system funded by money from the Road Fund and investigated by officers of the Illinois State Police may be prosecuted by the Attorney

- 1 General or the State's Attorney where the offense was
- 2 committed.
- 3 (d) (Blank).
- 4 (Source: P.A. 102-1042, eff. 6-3-22; 102-1043, eff. 6-3-22;
- 5 103-154, eff. 6-30-23.)