

## **Body-worn cameras**



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## Benefits of Body-Worn Cameras



- Improve evidence collection
- Resolve citizen complaints
- Maintain community trust
- Enhance professionalism



## <u>Challenges</u> of Body-Worn Cameras



- · Personal privacy issues
- · Long-term investment
- "Chilling effect" on citizens (without adequate data protections)
- · Limited point of view



# Body-Worn Cameras in Minnesota



- Non-scientific Member Survey (conducted summer 2015)
- 144 of 320 agencies responded (45% response rate )
- <u>Objective:</u> to determine number of MN agencies using body-worn cameras and gather input on effectiveness of and attitudes toward the technology



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- · Approx. 40 MN agencies have cameras 57% have fewer than 5 cameras 42% have between 5-20 officers
- 82% of agencies intend to deploy over next 5 years

Source: Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association 2015 member survey





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Majority of MN agencies have chest mounted, wireless body-worn cameras



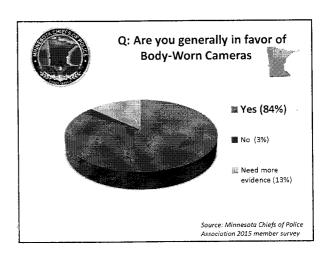


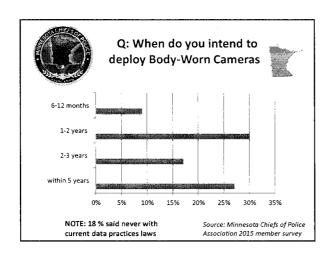
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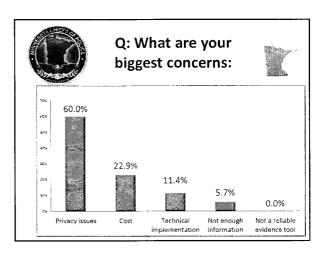


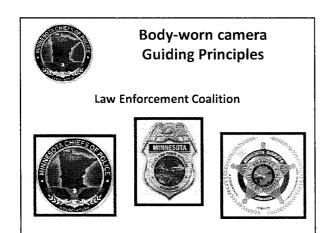
MN agencies store video data on either internal servers or with a secure cloud service











## **Body-Worn Camera Guiding Principles**

#### Supportive of a bill that:

- Clarifies when footage is public and accessible
- Classifies footage captured in areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy as private UNLESS an officer uses deadly force that causes great bodily harm. Data is public when investigation is inactive or adjudicated







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#### Supportive of a bill that:

- Provides clarity around MN Statute 13.82, subd. 7 to protect individual privacy ("common sensibilities")
- Grants access to data to those who are the subject of the data or a representative and the officer who is wearing the camera before he or she writes report or gives formal statement







### **Body-Worn Camera Guiding Principles**

#### Supportive of a bill that:

- Requires data requests to be for a specific event with an approximate time and date
- Mandates agencies using body-worn cameras to have a written policy









# Reforming MN Statute 13.82



- Improves evidence collection (more agencies will deploy)
- Maintains transparency (allows for access by data subjects and/or reps)
- · Enhances police accountability & professionalism
- · Protects individual privacy



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