

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB1563</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>DPS: \$238,070</b>

**Research Analysis**

The committee substitute to HB 1563 modifies the requirements for the issuance of criminal subpoenas for law enforcement records. The measure provides that a subpoena issued to a law enforcement agency may command the production of body camera videos, vehicle mounted camera videos, traffic camera videos, and law enforcement incident reports. The measure requires every subpoena issued to state the name of the court which issued the subpoena and the title of the action. The party responsible for the issuance of a subpoena is to take reasonable steps to avoid imposing undue burden or expense on a person subject to the subpoena. The measure provides reasons for which the court is to quash or modify a subpoena. The measure provides that if a subpoena commands production of documents and things or inspection of premises from a nonparty before trial but does not require attendance of a witness, the subpoena must specify a date and location for the production or inspection that is at least seven days after the date that the subpoena and provides a timeline and procedure for written objections. The measure provides guidelines for claims of privilege or protection of trial preparation materials. The measure allows for the service of a subpoena by mail and clarifies the criminal contempt penalty provision.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The CS to HB1563 sets forth new laws related to subpoenaing certain law enforcement videos and records. *Officials with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) have provided the following revised analysis:*

DPS anticipates an annual cost of \$238,070 representing salary, benefits, and incidentals for three new staff members. These three new staff members include one attorney, one administrative assistant, and one dashcam/video technician. This personnel will be responsible for processing and handling the volume of discovery requests to which DPS may be subjected through HB1563.

Therefore, in its current form, HB1563 creates an annual cost of \$238,070 to DPS for personnel to administer the provisions the measure.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

