

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2017**

**H**

**1**

**HOUSE BILL 1087**

Short Title: Asheville/Body-Worn Cameras. (Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Fisher, Ager, and B. Turner (Primary Sponsors).  
*For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.*

Referred to: Judiciary I, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

June 7, 2018

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AMENDING THE BODY-WORN CAMERA LAW TO ALLOW THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE TO DISCLOSE LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORDINGS TO THE ASHEVILLE CITY COUNCIL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 132-1.4A(h) reads as rewritten:

"(h) Release of Recordings; Law Enforcement Purposes. – Notwithstanding the requirements of subsections (c), (f), and (g) of this section, a custodial law enforcement agency shall disclose or release a recording to a district attorney (i) for review of potential criminal charges, (ii) in order to comply with discovery requirements in a criminal prosecution, (iii) for use in criminal proceedings in district court, or (iv) any other law enforcement purpose, and may disclose or release a recording for any of the following purposes:

...

(4) Disclose a recording, in a closed session, to the city council. In advance of the disclosure, council members shall execute a confidentiality statement agreeing to maintain the confidentiality of the recording prior to viewing the recording. Recording images may be released publicly only upon court order."

**SECTION 2.** G.S. 143-318.11(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Permitted Purposes. – It is the policy of this State that closed sessions shall be held only when required to permit a public body to act in the public interest as permitted in this section. A public body may hold a closed session and exclude the public only when a closed session is required:

...

(11) For the city council to view a recording regulated pursuant to G.S. 132-1.4A."

**SECTION 3.** This act applies to the City of Asheville only.

**SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

