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On Tue, Jun 4, 2024 at 9:32AM UWPD Records <[records@uwpd.wisc.edu](mailto:records@uwpd.wisc.edu)> wrote:

Dear Ms. Herman,

Thank you for reaching out.

We want to inform you about certain provisions under the 2023 Wisconsin Act 253 that affect the handling of requests for body worn camera footage from our agency.

Under this legislation, individuals requesting such footage may be subject to charges for redactions. Notably, exemptions from redaction fees are granted only to individuals who meet specific criteria, including not intending to use the content for financial gain and having made fewer than 10 requests in the calendar year. It's essential to highlight those exemptions do not apply to media outlets or news stations.

I see that two individuals from Tone Madison are cc'd on this correspondence, so I wanted to clarify if you are affiliated as a contributor with Tone Madison, or if you are just an outside party requesting the footage? If you are an outside party requesting footage, and this will not be used for a story on a media outlet, then under this legislation, we will require you to fill out a form certifying that you would not use this footage for financial gain. By signing this, you agree to use this only for personal use. If you end up sending it to Tone Madison to use on their website or social media platforms, you will be in violation of that certification, in which you may be charged a \$10,000 fine.

Furthermore, in accordance with this act, we are obligated to furnish you with a reasonable cost estimate for your request if you are not exempt from charge. Payment is required upfront before we can proceed with fully processing your request.

Attached is the certification form for non-financial gain. It will be required to be signed and notarized. If you are not exempt from charge, please reply to this email and we will furnish you with a cost estimate for this footage.

Please reach out if you have any questions,

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