

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE*

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** Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE requiring that certain uniformed peace officers do not cover with a mourning band the serial number that is engraved on their badge; amending Section 3.28.130 of the Seattle Municipal Code; declaring an emergency; and establishing an immediate effective date; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

Summary and background of the Legislation: Citizens that have participated in the recent rallies and demonstrations protesting the killing of George Floyd have indicated that they sometimes have been unable to identify officers because they could not see a name tag and that the officer's badge serial number was covered with a mourning band. This legislation would allow the continued use of mourning bands as long as they do not obscure the officer's badge number. This fiscal note assumes that officers would continue to use the badges that have already been issued by SPD, but would simply move the mourning band away from the serial number.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? ___ Yes ___ X No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? ___ Yes ___ X No

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to the City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs?

No

Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

Without this legislation, citizens may not be able to identify officers that are involved in misconduct and may not be able to avail themselves of the City's police accountability system.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

There is a potential workload impact to the Office of Police Accountability to the extent that officers that commit acts of misconduct are identified by their badge numbers and otherwise would not have been identified at all.

b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No

c. Does this legislation require landlords or sellers of real property to provide information regarding the property to a buyer or tenant?

No

d. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

No

e. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

No

f. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public?

Without this legislation, citizens may not be able to identify officers that are involved in misconduct and may not be able to avail themselves of the City's police accountability system. A disproportionate number of citizens who experience bias, unjustified use of force or are the victim of other police misconduct are people of color.

g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s).

N/A