

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1368

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE RUSH.

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 650, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to private security camera cost reimbursement.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 650, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 650.920, to read as follows:

650.920. 1. There is hereby established within the department of public safety the "Private Security Camera Incentive Program" to provide financial assistance to qualified applicants who reside in priority areas of this state to improve their safety and security through the purchase of security cameras to be installed on property owned or leased by such applicants. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Department", the department of public safety;

(2) "Priority area", an area identified by the department of public safety as needing additional security measures based on public safety indicators, including crime levels;

(3) "Program", the private security camera incentive program established under this section;

(4) "Qualified applicant", a person residing in a priority area who is sixty-five years of age or older, disabled, or whose household income does not exceed one hundred and fifty percent of the current federal poverty level or sixty percent of the state median income;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

16 **(5) "Security camera", an outdoor surveillance camera system, with functioning**
17 **digital video recording capability, that is installed on property owned or leased by a**
18 **qualified applicant.**

19 **2. Subject to appropriations, the department shall award rebates or vouchers to**
20 **qualified applicants beginning in January 2027. All rebates or vouchers shall be**
21 **awarded from the fund established under subsection 6 of this section. Rebates or**
22 **vouchers awarded shall be distributed by the law enforcement agency or fire**
23 **department with jurisdiction over the area in which the applicant resides.**

24 **3. Before January 1, 2026, the department shall establish the following:**

25 **(1) The methodology used to identify a priority area;**

26 **(2) The permissible collection, dissemination, use, and disposal of images**
27 **recorded by a security camera purchased under the program; and**

28 **(3) Minimum standards for security cameras purchased under the program.**

29 **4. An owner or lessee of a property may qualify to receive a rebate or voucher**
30 **under the program if:**

31 **(1) The applicant is sixty-five years of age or older, disabled, or the applicant's**
32 **household income does not exceed one hundred and fifty percent of the current federal**
33 **poverty level or sixty percent of the state median income;**

34 **(2) The property is located within a priority area;**

35 **(3) The applicant agrees in writing that the security camera will not be used for**
36 **the purpose of recording private property not owned or leased by the applicant;**

37 **(4) The rebate or voucher is used solely to offset the costs of a security camera;**

38 **(5) The application is submitted in the form and manner prescribed by the**
39 **department; and**

40 **(6) The security camera is purchased and installed after August 28, 2025.**

41 **5. The amount of a rebate or voucher under the program shall not exceed the**
42 **purchase cost of a security camera.**

43 **6. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Private Security Camera**
44 **Incentive Program Reimbursement Fund", which shall consist of moneys appropriated**
45 **to it by the general assembly and any gifts, donations, and bequests received from**
46 **federal, private, or other sources. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In**
47 **accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve**
48 **disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and, upon appropriation, moneys**
49 **in this fund shall be used to provide rebates or vouchers to qualified applicants as**
50 **provided under this section.**

51 **(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys**
52 **remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the**
53 **general revenue fund.**

54 **(3) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as**
55 **other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be**
56 **credited to the fund.**

57 **7. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:**

58 **(1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall**
59 **automatically sunset six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized**
60 **by an act of the general assembly; and**

61 **(2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section**
62 **shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of**
63 **this section; and**

64 **(3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year**
65 **immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this**
66 **section is sunset.**

67 **8. The department may promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the**
68 **administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in**
69 **section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall**
70 **become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter**
71 **536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable**
72 **and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to**
73 **review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently**
74 **held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or**
75 **adopted after August 28, 2025, shall be invalid and void.**

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