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Surveillance Camera Amendments
2026 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Stephanie Pitcher
House Sponsor: Jordan D. Teuscher



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3 **LONG TITLE**

4 **General Description:**

5 This bill concerns a law enforcement officer's ability to tamper with a surveillance camera
6 on private property.

7 **Highlighted Provisions:**

8 This bill:

- 9 ▶ prohibits a law enforcement officer, or an individual acting on behalf of a law enforcement
officer, from tampering with, changing the viewing direction of, or disabling a person's surveillance
camera on the person's private property; and
- 12 ▶ creates exceptions to the prohibition.

13 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

14 None

15 **Other Special Clauses:**

16 None

17 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

18 ENACTS:

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19 **53-25-1201** , Utah Code Annotated 1953

20 **53-25-1202** , Utah Code Annotated 1953

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22 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

23 Section 1. Section **1** is enacted to read:

25 **53-25-1201. Definitions.**

12. Law Enforcement Prohibitions

Reserved.

27 Section 2. Section **2** is enacted to read:

28 **53-25-1202. Law enforcement officer prohibition on tampering with a private surveillance camera -- Exceptions.**

30 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2) or {~~(3)~~ (4), a law enforcement officer, or an individual acting
on behalf of a law enforcement officer, may not tamper with, change the viewing direction of, or
disable a person's surveillance camera that is on the person's private property.

34 (2) Subsection (1) does not apply if the law enforcement officer, or the individual acting on behalf of a
law enforcement officer:

36 (a) obtains the person's permission before taking the action described in Subsection (1);

37 (b) obtains a court order granting permission to take the action described in Subsection (1) before taking
the action described in Subsection (1); or

39 (c) takes the action described in Subsection (1) {~~while exigent circumstances exist, or in order to protect~~
a law enforcement officer's safety while executing a warrant.} under a circumstance described in
Subsection (3)(a) if the law enforcement officer, or the individual acting on behalf of {~~the~~} a law
enforcement officer{:}, subsequently takes an action described in Subsection (3)(b).

42 (3)

(a) The circumstances described in Subsection (2)(c) are:

43 (i) the existence of exigent circumstances; or

44 (ii) to protect a law enforcement officer's safety:

45 (A) while executing a warrant; or

46 (B) if the circumstances, as known to the law enforcement officer, present a real, articulable risk to the
law enforcement officer's safety.

48 (b) The subsequent actions described in Subsection (2)(c) are:

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- 43 (i) ~~{ notifies }~~ notifying the affected person within 24 hours after:
- 44 (A) ~~the exigent circumstances no longer exist; { or }~~
- 45 (B) ~~the warrant described in { this } Subsection { (2)(c) } (3)(a)(ii)(A) has been served; or~~
- 52 (C) the circumstances described in Subsection (3)(a)(ii)(B) have been resolved; or
- 46 (ii) ~~{ obtains }~~ obtaining a court order as soon as practicable after the ~~{ exigent circumstances }~~
circumstance described in Subsection (3)(a) no longer { exist } exists, and if a court refuses to issue
a court order, ~~{ informs }~~ informing the person about the action taken on the surveillance camera
within 24 hours after the court's refusal.
- 50 (3)~~(4)~~ This section does not apply to a camera that is used for the surveillance or taking of wildlife.
- 59 Section 3. **Effective date.**
Effective Date.
This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.

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