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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair

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### SB 1130 (Reyes) - Invasion of privacy: wearable recording devices

**Version:** April 22, 2026

**Policy Vote:** PUB. S. 5 - 1, P., D.T., &  
C.P. 7 - 2

**Urgency:** No

**Mandate:** Yes

**Hearing Date:** May 14, 2026

**Consultant:** Bob Franzoia

**Bill Summary:** SB 1130 would (1) prohibit a person from operating a wearable recording device to capture sound or video of any other person, where the person has a reasonable expectation of privacy and (2) prohibit a person from disabling any light or other device on a wearable recording device that indicates the device is capturing sound or video.

\*\*\*\*\* **ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE** \*\*\*\*\*

The following information is revised to reflect amendments  
adopted by the committee on May 14, 2026

**Fiscal Impact:** Unknown, significant to major cost pressure (Trial Court Trust Fund, General Fund) to the courts to the extent there are additional civil filings for new violations created by this bill. Actual costs would depend on the number of violations and the amount of court time required for each action, for example violations of disabling any light or other device on a wearable recording device would involve a jury trial. Judicial Council of California (JCC) data indicates only seven percent of misdemeanors go to jury trials. Processing time for misdemeanors from time of filing to time of disposition ranges from 30 days to 120 days.

Although courts are not funded based on workload, increased pressure on the Trial Court Trust Fund may create a demand for increased funding for courts from the General Fund. The FY 2025-26 state budget provided \$82 million ongoing General Fund support to the Trial Court Trust Fund for court operations. The proposed FY 2026-07 budget would provide \$70 million ongoing General Fund support.

**Author Amendments:** Amend to specify Penal Code Section 632.8 as added by the bill does not apply to the use of hearing aids, augmentative and alternative communication devices by a person afflicted with impaired hearing or any communication disorder when the hearing aid or device is used for the purpose of overcoming the impairment or disorder.

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