

# HOUSE BILL 216

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By: **Delegate Sydnor**

Introduced and read first time: January 23, 2019

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Speed Monitoring Systems – School Zone in Multiple Counties – Limitation**

3 FOR the purpose of limiting the operation of a speed monitoring system in a school zone  
4 that extends beyond a single county to the county in which the school is located; and  
5 generally relating to speed monitoring systems in school zones.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
7 Article – Transportation  
8 Section 21–809(b)(1)(vi), (viii), and (ix)  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

11 BY adding to  
12 Article – Transportation  
13 Section 21–809(b)(1)(xi)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article – Transportation**

19 21–809.

20 (b) (1) (vi) This section applies to a violation of this subtitle recorded by a  
21 speed monitoring system that meets the requirements of this subsection and has been  
22 placed:

23 1. In Montgomery County, on a highway in a residential  
24 district, as defined in § 21–101 of this title, with a maximum posted speed limit of 35 miles

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 per hour, which speed limit was established using generally accepted traffic engineering  
2 practices;

3                                   2.       In a school zone with a posted speed limit of at least 20  
4 miles per hour; or

5                                   3.       In Prince George’s County:

6                                   A.       Subject to subparagraph (vii) of this paragraph, at the  
7 intersection of Old Fort Road and Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway); or

8                                   B.       On that part of a highway located within the grounds of  
9 an institution of higher education as defined in § 10–101(h) of the Education Article, or  
10 within one-half mile of the grounds of a building or property used by the institution of  
11 higher education where generally accepted traffic and engineering practices indicate that  
12 motor vehicle, pedestrian, or bicycle traffic is substantially generated or influenced by the  
13 institution of higher education.

14                               (viii) Before activating a speed monitoring system, the local  
15 jurisdiction shall:

16                                   1.       Publish notice of the location of the speed monitoring  
17 system on its website and in a newspaper of general circulation in the jurisdiction;

18                                   2.       Ensure that each sign that designates a school zone is  
19 proximate to a sign that:

20                                   A.       Indicates that speed monitoring systems are in use in the  
21 school zone; and

22                                   B.       Is in accordance with the manual for and the specifications  
23 for a uniform system of traffic control devices adopted by the State Highway Administration  
24 under § 25–104 of this article;

25                                   3.       With regard to a speed monitoring system established at  
26 the intersection of Old Fort Road and Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway) or based  
27 on proximity to an institution of higher education under paragraph (1)(vi)<sup>3</sup> of this  
28 subsection, ensure that all speed limit signs approaching and within the segment of  
29 highway on which the speed monitoring system is located include signs that:

30                                   A.       Are in accordance with the manual and specifications for  
31 a uniform system of traffic control devices adopted by the State Highway Administration  
32 under § 25–104 of this article; and

33                                   B.       Indicate that a speed monitoring system is in use; and

1                                   4.     With regard to a speed monitoring system placed on  
2 Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway), ensure that each sign that indicates that a  
3 speed monitoring system is in use is proximate to a device that displays a real-time posting  
4 of the speed at which a driver is traveling.

5                                   (ix)   A speed monitoring system in a school zone may operate only  
6 Monday through Friday between 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

7                                   **(XI)   WHERE A SCHOOL ZONE EXTENDS BEYOND A SINGLE**  
8 **COUNTY, A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM MAY OPERATE ONLY IN THE COUNTY IN**  
9 **WHICH THE SCHOOL IS LOCATED.**

10                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
11 October 1, 2019.