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**Supporting Testimony for HB 353 – Traffic Control Device
Monitoring Systems – Authorization
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Chair Barve and Committee:

For the record, I am Delegate Anne Healey asking for a favorable vote for HB 353 – Traffic Control Device Monitoring Systems – Authorization. Thank you for the opportunity to present HB 353 which enables state and local agencies to install traffic control monitoring devices to capture a recorded image of a motor vehicle violating certain traffic laws.

In smaller municipalities and rural towns, locals are more likely to dismiss One-Way Street signs, for example, and travel down a One-Way Road possibly causing pedestrians to be hurt or motor vehicle accidents. This bill will increase the awareness of traffic behavior and compliance in neighborhoods while decreasing unnecessary police presence.

The purpose of this bill is to give the local governments the opportunity to increase safety for motorists and pedestrians and to reduce police costs associated with actual monitoring, and reduce interactions with the driving public. History has shown these interactions can be dangerous for people of color.

I urge a favorable vote on HB 353.