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Senate Bill 679

Anne Arundel County - Speed Monitoring Systems - Residential Districts

Judicial Proceedings Committee

Position: FAVORABLE

Anne Arundel County **SUPPORTS** Senate Bill 679 – Anne Arundel County - Speed Monitoring Systems - Residential Districts. This enabling legislation would allow Anne Arundel County to address the many requests we receive each year from residential communities for speed monitoring systems in their neighborhoods to reduce speeding.

On July 5, 2022, I signed Executive Order Number 58, endorsing a commitment to adopt the Vision Zero strategies in Anne Arundel County, with a vision of reducing serious traffic injuries and fatalities to zero. Between 2016 and 2020, there were 234 deaths and 1,311 serious injuries on Anne Arundel County roads. Speed monitoring systems are one more tool in the County's toolbox, along with speed bumps and other traffic calming devices, that can help us achieve this vision of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries.

This Bill would enable Anne Arundel County to create a program to implement speed monitoring systems in residential neighborhoods on roadways where the speed limit is 35 mph or less. Speed monitoring systems will only be placed in areas where the community requests and supports their placement, and this legislation will eliminate the need for state legislation each year allowing speed monitoring systems in specific locations.

For all of these reasons, I respectfully request a **FAVORABLE** report on Senate Bill 679.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steuart Pittman".

Steuart Pittman
County Executive