



**AAA Mid-Atlantic's Testimony in SUPPORT of HB 1001**  
**Motor Vehicles – Automated Enforcement Programs – Privacy Protections**  
***Sponsors: Delegates Love, Jacobs and Baker***

- AAA Mid-Atlantic supports [House Bill 1001 – Motor Vehicles – Automated Enforcement Programs – Privacy Protections](#), which would make several changes to Maryland's existing automated enforcement programs, by enhancing the privacy and identity of drivers who receive automated enforcement citations.
- Accordingly, HB 1001 would limit who has access to recorded images produced by automated enforcement systems and would prohibit agencies from using those images and/or associated data for anything beyond legitimate traffic enforcement purposes.
- AAA Mid-Atlantic has been supportive of Maryland's automated speed enforcement (ASE) systems, also known as speed safety camera (SSC) enforcement for nearly two decades, working with the legislature in 2005 to launch Maryland's first pilot program for automated speed enforcement in residential areas and school zones in Montgomery County.
- In 2009, AAA was also an advocate for the statewide authorization of ASE technology, in work zones, and the law authorizing local jurisdictions and municipalities to use automated enforcement in school zones, protecting the lives of highway workers, students and drivers in work zones and school zones.
- With that advocacy, the auto club stressed that the technology be fair with a focus on traffic safety and not revenue generation and that motorists' rights be protected.
- As it relates to automated enforcement, AAA believes that legitimate privacy rights of individuals must be protected, including destruction of photos as quickly as practical.
- According to the [Insurance Institute for Highway Safety](#), speed safety cameras were in operation in 211 U.S. communities in 20 states and the District of Columbia during 2023.
- We recognize the important role that speed safety cameras, coupled with police involvement, can play in traffic safety for motorists, pedestrians, and other road users by improving compliance with red lights, speed limits, and other traffic control devices.
- AAA Mid-Atlantic remains supportive of this technology as long as it is fair, safety-based and ensures the privacy of drivers and their personal information.
- We respectfully urge the Committee to give **HB 1001 a favorable report**.

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