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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Speed Monitoring Systems - Statewide Authorization and Use in Highway Work Zones

4 FOR the purpose of expanding to all counties and municipalities in the State the $\mathbf{5}$ authority to use certain speed monitoring systems to enforce certain highway 6 speed laws under certain standards and procedures; altering the maximum fine 7 for a violation of law enforced by means of a speed monitoring system; 8 prohibiting the use of a speed monitoring system in a local jurisdiction unless 9 authorized by the governing body by ordinance or resolution adopted after reasonable notice and a public hearing; requiring a county, before using a speed 10 monitoring system at certain locations, to obtain certain approval, provide 11 12 certain notice, and provide a municipal corporation instead of the county the opportunity to use a speed monitoring system at the locations; requiring certain 13 local ordinances or resolutions to provide for the issuance of warnings during a 14 certain period for certain violations; increasing the maximum speed limit for the 15purpose of establishing residential highways on which speed laws may be 16 enforced using speed monitoring systems; requiring a local jurisdiction to 17publish a certain notice before activating a certain speed monitoring system; 18 19 requiring a certain speed monitoring system placed in a certain location to be 20 calibrated to only record images of motor vehicles traveling at or above a certain speed; repealing a certain requirement that an individual provide certain 21information to satisfy a certain evidentiary burden; requiring the Chief Judge of 2223the District Court to consult with certain agencies in adopting certain

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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1 procedures; clarifying that certain fines for certain motor vehicle violations shall $\mathbf{2}$ be paid to the District Court; expanding the pool of entities authorized to 3 administer a speed monitoring program; authorizing the placement of certain 4 work zone speed control systems on certain highways under certain 5 circumstances; providing that requiring the Comptroller to distribute to the 6 State Highway Administration the revenues from civil fines collected under this 7 Act shall first in an amount to cover the costs of implementing and 8 administering the work zone speed control system; limiting the issuance of 9 citations to owners or drivers of vehicles that exceed certain speeds; requiring a 10 work zone speed control system operator to complete certain training and follow certain procedures; requiring a work zone speed control system to undergo 11 12certain calibration; requiring the procurement of a work zone speed control system by a unit of State or local government to be conducted in a certain 1314 manner, subject to a certain exception; requiring the State Highway 15Administration to place a certain road sign within a certain reasonable distance 16 of a highway work zone containing a speed monitoring system; providing that 17certain owners or drivers of motor vehicles, recorded by a work zone speed 18 control system while being operated in violation of certain speed limit laws, are 19 subject to certain penalties; authorizing certain police departments to mail a 20certain citation to the owner of a motor vehicle; establishing certain civil 21penalties for a violation of certain provisions of this Act; requiring certain 22citations to include certain information; authorizing a police department to send 23a warning instead of a citation under certain circumstances; authorizing the 24police department to reissue a citation to the driver of a vehicle under certain 25circumstances; requiring certain citations to be mailed within certain time 26 periods; requiring the District Court to prescribe a certain citation form and to 27indicate the amount of a certain civil penalty on the citation; establishing the 28standard of proof in a trial for certain violations of this Act; authorizing persons 29receiving certain citations to have the work zone speed control system operator 30 be present and testify at trial; providing that certain persons are responsible for 31 paying the civil penalty indicated on the citation under certain circumstances; 32providing that persons receiving certain citations may elect to stand trial in the 33 District Court; establishing defenses that the District Court may consider; 34authorizing vehicle owners to submit a certain letter to the District Court to 35 establish a certain defense; authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to 36 impose certain penalties if the person cited for violating certain provisions of 37this Act fails to pay the civil penalty or contest liability; prohibiting certain 38 violations under this Act from being considered for certain purposes; providing 39 for the admissibility and use of certain evidence; modifying the jurisdiction of 40 the District Court to include certain proceedings; providing for the handling of 41 certain court costs and penalties; clarifying certain language; prohibiting an 42insurer from considering a certain civil penalty for purposes of reclassifying an 43insured; prohibiting the custodian of recorded images produced by a work zone 44 speed control system from allowing inspection of the recorded images, subject to 45certain exceptions; requiring the Department of State Police and the State 46 Highway Administration jointly to adopt regulations establishing the standards 47and procedures for work zone speed control systems: requiring certain State and 48 local entities to administer and process civil citations issued under this Act in

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1 consultation with the District Court; providing that the fees of certain $\mathbf{2}$ contractors may not be contingent on the number of citations issued or paid 3 under this Act; requiring the issuance of warnings for a certain time period for 4 certain violations: defining certain terms: repealing a certain definition: altering $\mathbf{5}$ a certain definition; making certain stylistic changes; making a technical 6 correction; restricting the use of certain revenues generated by this Act; 7 providing for the application of this Act; providing that existing obligations or 8 contract rights may not be impaired by this Act; providing that certain 9 provisions of this Act do not apply to certain speed monitoring systems in 10 Montgomery County; requiring certain local jurisdictions to issue a certain report by a certain date; and generally relating to the use of speed monitoring 11 systems to enforce certain laws regarding the operation of motor vehicles in 1213excess of certain speed limits.

- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 15 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 16 Section 4–401(13), 7–302(e), and 10–311
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

19 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

- 20 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 21 Section 7–301(a)
- 22 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 23 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
- 24 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 25 Article Insurance
- 26 Section 11–215(e) and 11–318(e)
- 27 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 28 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
- 29 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 30 Article State Government
- 31 Section 10–616(o)
- 32 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 33 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
- 34 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 35 Article Transportation
- 36 Section 12–118(c), 21–809, 26–305(a), and 26–401
- 37 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 38 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
- 39 BY adding to
- 40 Article Transportation
- 41 Section 21–810
- 42 Annotated Code of Maryland

4 HOUSE BILL 364 1 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement) $\mathbf{2}$ SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 3 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 4 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings** $\mathbf{5}$ 7 - 301.6 The court costs in a traffic case, including parking and impounding cases, (a) $\mathbf{7}$ cases under § 21–202.1 or § 21–809 of the Transportation Article in which costs are 8 imposed, and cases under § 10-112 of the Criminal Law Article in which costs are 9 imposed are \$22.50. Such costs shall also be applicable to those cases in which the defendant elects to waive his right to trial and pay the fine or penalty deposit 10 11 established by the Chief Judge of the District Court by administrative regulation. In

12an uncontested case under § 21-202.1 or § 21-809 of the Transportation Article, an 13uncontested case under § 10-112 of the Criminal Law Article, or an uncontested 14 parking or impounding case in which the fines are paid directly to a political subdivision or municipality, costs are \$2.00, which costs shall be paid to and retained 15by the political subdivision or municipality. In an uncontested case in which the fine is 16 17paid directly to an agency of State government authorized by law to regulate parking 18 of motor vehicles, the costs are \$2.00. The fine and the costs shall be paid to the 19 agency, which shall receive and account for these funds as in all other cases involving 20sums due the State through a State agency.

21 7-302.

22A citation issued pursuant to § 21-202.1 or § 21-809 of the (e) (1)Transportation Article shall provide that the person receiving the citation may elect to 2324stand trial by notifying the issuing agency of the person's intention to stand trial at 25least 5 days prior to the date of payment as set forth in the citation. On receipt of the 26notice to stand trial, the agency shall forward to the District Court having venue a 27copy of the citation and a copy of the notice from the person who received the citation 28indicating the person's intention to stand trial. On receipt thereof, the District Court 29shall schedule the case for trial and notify the defendant of the trial date under 30 procedures adopted by the Chief Judge of the District Court.

31A citation issued as the result of a traffic control signal monitoring (2)32system or speed monitoring system controlled by a political subdivision shall provide that, in an uncontested case, the penalty shall be paid directly to that political 33 34subdivision. A citation issued as the result of a traffic control signal monitoring system OR A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM controlled by a State [agency or a speed 3536 monitoring system,] AGENCY, OR AS A RESULT OF A TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL 37MONITORING SYSTEM OR A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM in a case contested in 38 District Court, shall provide that the penalty shall be paid directly to the District 39 Court.

$1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4$	signal monitoring District Court shal	Civil penalties resulting from citations issued using traffic control systems or speed monitoring systems that are collected by the l be collected in accordance with subsection (a) of this section and chance with § 12–118 of the Transportation Article.
5		Article – State Government
6	10–616.	
7 8		In this subsection, "recorded images" has the meaning stated in § 09 of the Transportation Article.
9 10 11 12 13	of recorded images under § 21–202.1 o	Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, a custodian s produced by a traffic control signal monitoring system operated of the Transportation Article or a speed monitoring system operated of the Transportation Article shall deny inspection of the recorded
14	(3)	A custodian shall allow inspection of recorded images:
$\begin{array}{c} 15\\ 16\end{array}$	Article;	(i) as required in § 21–202.1 or § 21–809 of the Transportation
17 18		(ii) by any person issued a citation under § 21–202.1 or § 21–809 on Article, or an attorney of record for the person; or
19 20 21	in an investigation	(iii) by an employee or agent of [a law enforcement] AN agency or proceeding relating to the imposition of or indemnification from ant to § 21–202.1 or § 21–809 of the Transportation Article.
22		Article – Transportation
23	21-809.	
24	(a) (1)	In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
25	[(2)	"Local police department" means:
26		(i) The Montgomery County Department of Police; and
$\begin{array}{c} 27\\ 28 \end{array}$	Montgomery Count	(ii) The police department of any municipal corporation in [y]
29	(2)	"AGENCY" MEANS:
30 31	LOCAL POLITICAL	(I) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OF THE STATE OR A A SUBDIVISION THAT IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE A CITATION FOR

1 A VIOLATION OF THE MARYLAND VEHICLE LAW OR OF LOCAL TRAFFIC LAWS OR $\mathbf{2}$ **REGULATIONS: OR** 3 **(II)** FOR A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION THAT DOES NOT 4 MAINTAIN A POLICE FORCE, AN AGENCY ESTABLISHED OR DESIGNATED BY THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION TO ENFORCE IMPLEMENT THIS SUBTITLE USING $\mathbf{5}$ 6 SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION. $\mathbf{7}$ (3)(i) "Owner" means the registered owner of a motor vehicle or a lessee of a motor vehicle under a lease of 6 months or more. 8 9 "Owner" does not include: (ii) 10 1. A motor vehicle rental or leasing company; or 11 2. A holder of a special registration plate issued under 12Title 13, Subtitle 9, Part III of this article. "Recorded image" means an image recorded by a speed monitoring 13(4)14 system: 15(i) On: 16 1. A photograph; 172. A microphotograph; 18 3. An electronic image; 19 4. Videotape; or 20 Any other medium; and 5. 21(ii) Showing: 22The rear of a motor vehicle; 1. 232. At least two time-stamped images of the motor vehicle that include the same stationary object near the motor vehicle; and 24253. On at least one image or portion of tape, [clearly 26identifying] A CLEAR AND LEGIBLE IDENTIFICATION OF the ENTIRE registration 27plate number of the motor vehicle.

(5) "Speed monitoring system" means a device with one or more motor
vehicle sensors producing recorded images of motor vehicles traveling at speeds at
least 10 miles per hour above the posted speed limit.

1 "Speed monitoring system operator" means [an individual who] A (6) $\mathbf{2}$ **REPRESENTATIVE OF AN AGENCY OR CONTRACTOR THAT** operates a speed 3 monitoring system. 4 (b) (1) **(I)** A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM MAY NOT BE USED IN A $\mathbf{5}$ LOCAL JURISDICTION UNDER THIS SECTION UNLESS ITS USE IS AUTHORIZED BY 6 THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOCAL JURISDICTION BY LOCAL LAW ENACTED 7 AFTER REASONABLE NOTICE AND A PUBLIC HEARING. 8 **(II)** BEFORE A COUNTY MAY USE A SPEED MONITORING 9 SYSTEM ON A STATE HIGHWAY AT A LOCATION WITHIN A MUNICIPAL 10 **CORPORATION, THE COUNTY SHALL:** 11 **OBTAIN THE APPROVAL OF THE STATE HIGHWAY** 1. 12**ADMINISTRATION;** 132. NOTIFY THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE 14 STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION'S APPROVAL OF THE USE OF A SPEED 15MONITORING SYSTEM AT THAT LOCATION; AND 16 3. **GRANT THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION 60 DAYS** 17FROM THE DATE OF THE COUNTY'S NOTICE TO THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION 18 TO ENACT AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION 19 INSTEAD OF THE COUNTY TO USE A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM AT THAT 20LOCATION. 21AN ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY (III) (III) 22THE GOVERNING BODY OF A LOCAL JURISDICTION UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH 23SHALL PROVIDE THAT FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST 12 MONTHS 30 DAYS AFTER 24THE FIRST SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM IS PLACED IN THE LOCAL 25JURISDICTION, A VIOLATION RECORDED BY ANY SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM IN 26THE LOCAL JURISDICTION MAY BE ENFORCED ONLY BY THE ISSUANCE OF A $\mathbf{27}$ WARNING. 28[(1)] (III) (IV) This section applies to a violation of this subtitle [that 29 occurs in Montgomery County] recorded by a speed monitoring system that meets the 30 requirements of this subsection and has been placed: 31(i)**]1**. On a highway in a residential [district] **DISTRICT**, as 32defined in § 21–101 of this [title: 33 With] **TITLE, WITH** a maximum posted speed limit of 1. 34[35] **45** miles per [hour; and

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$egin{array}{c} 1 \ 2 \end{array}$	2. That has a speed limit that] HOUR, WHICH SPEED LIMIT was established using generally accepted traffic engineering practices; or
$\frac{3}{4}$	[(ii)] 2. In a school zone established under § 21–803.1 of this subtitle.
5 6	(IV) (V) BEFORE ACTIVATING AN UNMANNED STATIONARY SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM, THE LOCAL JURISDICTION SHALL:
7 8 9	1. PUBLISH NOTICE OF THE LOCATION OF THE SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM ON ITS WEBSITE AND IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE JURISDICTION; AND
$10 \\ 11 \\ 12$	2. Ensure that each sign that designates a school zone indicates that speed monitoring systems are in use in school zones.
$13 \\ 14 \\ 15$	(2) (i) A speed monitoring system operator shall complete training by a manufacturer of speed monitoring systems in the procedures for setting up and operating the speed monitoring system.
$\begin{array}{c} 16 \\ 17 \end{array}$	(ii) The manufacturer shall issue a signed certificate to the speed monitoring system operator [upon] ON completion of the training.
18 19	(iii) The certificate of training shall be admitted as evidence in any court proceeding for a violation of this section.
$\begin{array}{c} 20\\ 21 \end{array}$	(3) A speed monitoring system operator shall fill out and sign a daily set-up log for a speed monitoring system that:
$22 \\ 23 \\ 24$	(i) States that the speed monitoring system operator successfully performed the manufacturer-specified self-test of the speed monitoring system prior to producing a recorded image;
25	(ii) Shall be kept on file; and
$\begin{array}{c} 26 \\ 27 \end{array}$	(iii) Shall be admitted as evidence in any court proceeding for a violation of this section.
28 29	$(4) (i) A \ \ speed \ \ monitoring \ \ system \ \ shall \ \ undergo \ \ an \ \ annual calibration \ check \ performed \ \ by \ an \ independent \ \ calibration \ \ laboratory.$
$\begin{array}{c} 30\\ 31 \end{array}$	(ii) The independent calibration laboratory shall issue a signed certificate of calibration after the annual calibration check, which:
32	1. Shall be kept on file; and

12.Shall be admitted as evidence in any court proceeding2for a violation of this section.

3(5)(1)THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY TO A SPEED4MONITORING SYSTEM PLACED IN A SCHOOL ZONE.

5 (II) IF A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM IS PLACED WITHIN 6 250 FEET AFTER THE LOCATION OF A SIGN DECREASING THE MAXIMUM SPEED 7 LIMIT ON THE HIGHWAY, THE SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM SHALL BE 8 CALIBRATED TO ONLY RECORD IMAGES OF MOTOR VEHICLES TRAVELING AT 9 SPEEDS AT LEAST 10 MILES PER HOUR ABOVE THE POSTED SPEED LIMIT IN 10 EFFECT BEFORE THE LOCATION OF THE SIGN.

11 (c) (1) Unless the driver of the motor vehicle received a citation from a 12 police officer at the time of the violation, the owner or, in accordance with subsection 13 (f)(4) of this section, the driver of a motor vehicle is subject to a civil penalty if the 14 motor vehicle is recorded by a speed monitoring system while being operated in 15 violation of this subtitle.

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A civil penalty under this subsection may not exceed [\$40] **\$75**.

17 (3) For purposes of this section, the District Court shall prescribe:

(i) A uniform citation form consistent with subsection (d)(1) of
 this section and § 7–302 of the Courts Article; and

20 (ii) A civil penalty, which shall be indicated on the citation, to be
 21 paid by persons who choose to prepay the civil penalty without appearing in District
 22 Court.

(d) (1) Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (2) through (4) of this
subsection, [the local police department] AN AGENCY shall mail to [the owner,] AN
OWNER liable under subsection (c) of this section[,] a citation that shall include:

- 26The name and address of the registered owner of the vehicle; (i) 27The registration number of the motor vehicle involved in the (ii) 28violation; 29 The violation charged; (iii) 30 The location where the violation occurred; (iv) 31The date and time of the violation; (**v**)
- 32 (vi) A copy of the recorded image;

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$rac{1}{2}$	$(\mbox{vii})~$ The amount of the civil penalty imposed and the date by which the civil penalty should be paid;
3 4 5 6	(viii) A signed statement by a duly authorized EMPLOYEE OR agent of LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER EMPLOYED BY OR UNDER CONTRACT <u>WITH</u> [the local police department] AN AGENCY that, based on inspection of recorded images, the motor vehicle was being operated in violation of this subtitle;
7 8	$({\rm ix})$ $% ({\rm ix})$ A statement that recorded images are evidence of a violation of this subtitle;
9 10 11	$(x) \qquad Information advising the person alleged to be liable under this section of the manner and time in which liability as alleged in the citation may be contested in the District Court; and$
$12 \\ 13 \\ 14$	(xi) Information advising the person alleged to be liable under this section that failure to pay the civil penalty or to contest liability in a timely manner:
15	1. Is an admission of liability;
16 17	2. May result in the refusal by the Administration to register the motor vehicle; and
18 19	3. May result in the suspension of the motor vehicle registration.
20 21	(2) [The local police department] AN AGENCY may mail a warning notice instead of a citation to the owner liable under subsection (c) of this section.
22 23 24	(3) Except as provided in subsection $(f)(4)$ of this section, [the local police department] AN AGENCY may not mail a citation to a person who is not an owner.
25 26 27 28	(4) Except as provided in subsection $(f)(4)$ of this section, a citation issued under this section shall be mailed no later than 2 weeks after the alleged violation if the vehicle is registered in this State, and 30 days after the alleged violation if the vehicle is registered in another state.
29 30	(5) A person who receives a citation under paragraph (1) of this subsection may:
31 32 33	(i) Pay the civil penalty, in accordance with instructions on the citation, directly to the [Montgomery County Department of Finance] POLITICAL SUBDIVISION; or

1 (ii) Elect to stand trial in the District Court for the alleged 2 violation.

3 A certificate alleging that the violation of this subtitle occurred and (e)(1)4 the requirements under subsection (b) of this section have been satisfied, sworn to, or $\mathbf{5}$ affirmed by [a duly authorized agent of the local police department] AN AGENT OR 6 EMPLOYEE OF AN AGENCY, based on inspection of recorded images produced by a speed monitoring system, shall be evidence of the facts contained in the certificate and 7 8 shall be admissible in a proceeding alleging a violation under this section without the 9 presence or testimony of the speed monitoring system operator who performed the requirements under subsection (b) of this section. 10

11 (2) If a person who received a citation under subsection (d) of this 12 section desires the speed monitoring system operator to be present and testify at trial, 13 the person shall notify the court and the State in writing no later than 20 days before 14 trial.

15 (3) Adjudication of liability shall be based on a preponderance of 16 evidence.

17 (f) (1) The District Court may consider in defense of a violation:

18 (i) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, that the motor 19 vehicle or the registration plates of the motor vehicle were stolen before the violation 20 occurred and were not under the control or possession of the owner at the time of the 21 violation;

(ii) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, evidence that the
 person named in the citation was not operating the vehicle at the time of the violation;
 and

25 (iii) Any other issues and evidence that the District Court deems26 pertinent.

27 (2) [In order to] **To** demonstrate that the motor vehicle or the 28 registration plates were stolen before the violation occurred and were not under the 29 control or possession of the owner at the time of the violation, the owner shall submit 30 proof that a police report regarding the stolen motor vehicle or registration plates was 31 filed in a timely manner.

(3) To satisfy the evidentiary burden under paragraph (1)(ii) of this
 subsection, the person named in the citation shall provide to the District Court a
 letter, sworn to or affirmed by the person and mailed by certified mail, return receipt
 requested, that:

36 (i) States that the person named in the citation was not
 37 operating the vehicle at the time of the violation; <u>AND</u>

1 (ii) Provides the name, address, and, if possible, the driver's 2 license identification number of the person who was operating the vehicle at the time 3 of the violation; and

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(iii) Includes any other corroborating evidence.

5 (4) (i) If the District Court finds that the person named in the 6 citation was not operating the vehicle at the time of the violation or receives evidence 7 under paragraph (3) of this subsection identifying the person driving the vehicle at the 8 time of the violation, the clerk of the court shall provide to the [local police 9 department] AGENCY ISSUING THE CITATION a copy of any evidence substantiating 10 who was operating the vehicle at the time of the violation.

(ii) On receipt of substantiating evidence from the District
 Court under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, [the local police department] AN
 AGENCY may issue a citation as provided in subsection (d) of this section to the person
 who the evidence indicates was operating the vehicle at the time of the violation.

(iii) A citation issued under subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph
shall be mailed no later than 2 weeks after receipt of the evidence from the District
Court.

(g) If a person liable under this section does not pay the civil penalty orcontest the violation, the Administration:

20 (1) May refuse to register or reregister the motor vehicle cited for the 21 violation; or

22 (2) May suspend the registration of the motor vehicle cited for the 23 violation.

24 (h) A violation for which a civil penalty is imposed under this section:

(1) Is not a moving violation for the purpose of assessing points under
 § 16–402 of this article;

27 (2) May not be recorded by the Administration on the driving record of
 28 the owner or driver of the vehicle;

(3) May be treated as a parking violation for purposes of § 26–305 of
 this article; and

31 (4) May not be considered in the provision of motor vehicle insurance
 32 coverage.

1 (i) In consultation with the [Montgomery County Department of Finance 2 and the local police departments] **APPROPRIATE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** 3 **AGENCIES OR UNITS**, the Chief Judge of the District Court shall adopt procedures for 4 the issuance of citations, the trial of civil violations, and the collection of civil penalties 5 under this section.

6 (j) (1) AN AGENCY OR AN AGENT OR CONTRACTOR DESIGNATED BY
 7 <u>THE AGENCY SHALL ADMINISTER AND PROCESS CIVIL CITATIONS ISSUED UNDER</u>
 8 <u>THIS SECTION IN COORDINATION WITH THE DISTRICT COURT.</u>

9 (2) If a contractor operates a speed monitoring system on behalf of 10 [Montgomery County] A LOCAL JURISDICTION OR AN AGENCY, the contractor's fee 11 may not be contingent on the number of citations issued or paid.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland 13 read as follows:

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Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

15 4-401.

Except as provided in § 4–402 of this subtitle, and subject to the venue provisions of Title 6 of this article, the District Court has exclusive original civil jurisdiction in:

19 (13) A proceeding for a civil infraction under § 21–202.1, § 20 21–704.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 21–810 of the Transportation Article or § 10–112 of the 21 Criminal Law Article;

22 7–302.

23(e) (1)A citation issued pursuant to § 21–202.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 2421-810 of the Transportation Article shall provide that the person receiving the citation may elect to stand trial by notifying the issuing agency of the person's 25intention to stand trial at least 5 days prior to the date of payment as set forth in the 2627citation. On receipt of the notice to stand trial, the agency shall forward to the District 28Court having venue a copy of the citation and a copy of the notice from the person who 29 received the citation indicating the person's intention to stand trial. On receipt thereof, the District Court shall schedule the case for trial and notify the defendant of 30 31the trial date under procedures adopted by the Chief Judge of the District Court.

32 (2) A citation issued as the result of a traffic control signal monitoring
 33 system or speed monitoring system, INCLUDING A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL
 34 <u>SYSTEM</u>, controlled by a political subdivision shall provide that, in an uncontested
 35 case, the penalty shall be paid directly to that political subdivision. A citation issued
 36 as the result of a traffic control signal monitoring system <u>OR A WORK ZONE SPEED</u>

1 <u>CONTROL SYSTEM</u> controlled by a State agency or a speed monitoring system, in a 2 case contested in District Court, shall provide that the penalty shall be paid directly to 3 the District Court.

4 (3) Civil penalties resulting from citations issued using traffic control 5 signal monitoring systems or speed monitoring systems, **INCLUDING WORK ZONE** 6 **SPEED CONTROL SYSTEMS,** that are collected by the District Court shall be collected 7 in accordance with subsection (a) of this section and distributed in accordance with § 8 12–118 of the Transportation Article.

9 10-311.

10 (a) A recorded image of a motor vehicle produced by a traffic control signal 11 monitoring system in accordance with § 21–202.1 of the Transportation Article is 12 admissible in a proceeding concerning a civil citation issued under that section for a 13 violation of § 21–202(h) of the Transportation Article without authentication.

14 (b) A recorded image of a motor vehicle produced by a speed monitoring 15 system in accordance with § 21–809 **OR** § **21–810** of the Transportation Article is 16 admissible in a proceeding concerning a civil citation issued under that section for a 17 violation of Title 21, Subtitle 8 of the Transportation Article without authentication.

(c) In any other judicial proceeding, a recorded image produced by a traffic
 control signal monitoring system [or], speed monitoring system, OR WORK ZONE
 SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM is admissible as otherwise provided by law.

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Article – Insurance

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(e) For purposes of reclassifying an insured in a classification that entails a
higher premium, an insurer under an automobile insurance policy may not consider a
probation before judgment disposition of a motor vehicle law offense, a civil penalty
imposed pursuant to § 21–202.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 21–810 of the Transportation
Article, or a first offense of driving with an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more under
§ 16–205.1 of the Transportation Article on record with the Motor Vehicle
Administration, as provided in § 16–117(b) of the Transportation Article.

(e) For purposes of reclassifying an insured in a classification that entails a
higher premium, an insurer under an automobile insurance policy may not consider a
probation before judgment disposition of a motor vehicle law offense, a civil penalty
imposed pursuant to § 21–202.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 21–810 of the Transportation
Article, or a first offense of driving with an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more under
§ 16–205.1 of the Transportation Article on record with the Motor Vehicle
Administration, as provided in § 16–117(b) of the Transportation Article.

^{30 11–318.}

1	Article – State Government
2	10–616.
$\frac{3}{4}$	(o) (1) In this subsection, "recorded images" has the meaning stated in § $21-202.1$ [or], § $21-809$, OR § $21-810$ of the Transportation Article.
5 6 7 8 9 10	(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, a custodian of recorded images produced by a traffic control signal monitoring system operated under § 21–202.1 of the Transportation Article [or], a speed monitoring system operated under § 21–809 of the Transportation Article, OR A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATED UNDER § 21–810 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE shall deny inspection of the recorded images.
11	(3) A custodian shall allow inspection of recorded images:
12 13	(i) as required in § 21–202.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 21–810 of the Transportation Article;
14 15 16	(ii) by any person issued a citation under § 21–202.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 21–810 of the Transportation Article, or an attorney of record for the person; or
17 18 19 20	(iii) by an employee or agent of a law enforcement agency in an investigation or proceeding relating to the imposition of or indemnification from civil liability pursuant to § 21–202.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 21–810 of the Transportation Article.
21	Article – Transportation
22	12–118.
23 24 25 26 27	(c) (1) [Notwithstanding] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, NOTWITHSTANDING any other law and in addition to any other exceptions provided by law, all costs, fines, penalties, and forfeitures received by or paid to the District Court under the Maryland Vehicle Law shall be collected and remitted as provided in the Courts Article.
28 29 30 31 32 33	(2) OF THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DISTRIBUTE TO THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION REVENUE FROM THE CIVIL FINES COLLECTED THROUGH USE OF A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM UNDER § 21–810 OF THIS ARTICLE, THE-REVENUES SHALL FIRST BE PAID TO THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION IN AN AMOUNT TO COVER THE COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THE WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM.

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1	21-810.	
$2 \\ 3$	(A) (1) IN MEANINGS INDICATED	THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE
4	(2) "LO	CAL POLICE DEPARTMENT" MEANS:
5 6	(I) CORPORATION;	THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF ANY MUNICIPAL
7	(II)	THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF ANY COUNTY; AND
8 9	(III) HAS HIGHWAY TRAFFI	THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OF ANY COUNTY THAT C PATROL RESPONSIBILITIES.
$\begin{array}{c} 10\\ 11 \end{array}$	(3) (I) VEHICLE OR A LESSEE	"Owner" means the registered owner of a motor C OF A MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER A LEASE OF 6 MONTHS OR
12	LONGER.	
13	(II)	"Owner" does not include:
14 15	COMPANY; OR	1. A MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL OR LEASING
16 17	ISSUED UNDER TITLE	2. A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE 13, SUBTITLE 9, PART III OF THIS ARTICLE.
18 19	(4) "RE ZONE SPEED CONTROL	CORDED IMAGE" MEANS AN IMAGE RECORDED BY A WORK J SYSTEM:
20	(I)	On:
21		1. А рното дгарн;
22		2. A MICROPHOTOGRAPH;
23		3. AN ELECTRONIC IMAGE;
24		4. VIDEOTAPE; OR
25		5. ANY OTHER MEDIUM; AND
26	(II)	SHOWING:
27		1. THE REAR OF A MOTOR VEHICLE;

1 2. AT LEAST TWO TIME-STAMPED IMAGES OF THE $\mathbf{2}$ MOTOR VEHICLE THAT INCLUDE THE SAME STATIONARY OBJECT NEAR THE 3 **MOTOR VEHICLE; AND** 4 3. **ON AT LEAST ONE IMAGE OR PORTION OF TAPE, A** $\mathbf{5}$ CLEAR AND LEGIBLE IDENTIFICATION OF THE ENTIRE REGISTRATION PLATE 6 NUMBER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE. 7 **"STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT" MEANS:** (5) 8 **(I)** THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE; AND 9 **(II)** Тне MARYLAND **TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY** 10 POLICE; AND 11 (III) THE MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION POLICE. 12(6) "WORK ZONE" MEANS A SEGMENT OF A HIGHWAY: 13 THAT IS IDENTIFIED AS A TEMPORARY TRAFFIC **(I)** 14 CONTROL ZONE BY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES THAT ARE INSTALLED IN 15CONFORMANCE WITH THE STATE MANUAL AND SPECIFICATIONS ADOPTED FOR 16 A UNIFORM SYSTEM OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES; AND 17(II) WHERE HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION, **REPAIR**, OR 18 MAINTENANCE, UTILITY WORK, OR A RELATED ACTIVITY, INCLUDING THE 19 INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, OR REMOVAL OF A WORK ZONE TRAFFIC 20 **CONTROL DEVICE, IS BEING PERFORMED.** 21"WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM" MEANS A DEVICE (7) 22HAVING ONE OR MORE MOTOR VEHICLE SENSORS CONNECTED TO A CAMERA 23SYSTEM CAPABLE OF PRODUCING RECORDED IMAGES OF MOTOR VEHICLES 24TRAVELING AT OR ABOVE A PREDETERMINED SPEED. 25(8) "WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATOR" MEANS & 26POLICE OFFICER AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS BEEN TRAINED AND CERTIFIED TO 27**OPERATE A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM AND WHO IS:** 28**A POLICE OFFICER; (I)** 29 **(II) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT;** 30 (III) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT; 31 OR

1	(IV) A STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION CONTRACTOR.
2	(B) (1) A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM THAT MEETS THE
3	REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE USED TO RECORD THE IMAGES OF
4	MOTOR VEHICLES TRAVELING ON A HIGHWAY:
5	(I) WITHIN A WORK ZONE;
6	(II) THAT IS AN EXPRESSWAY OR A CONTROLLED ACCESS
7	HIGHWAY AS DEFINED IN § 21–101 OF THIS TITLE; AND
8	(III) ON WHICH THE SPEED LIMIT, ESTABLISHED USING
9 10	GENERALLY ACCEPTED TRAFFIC ENGINEERING PRACTICES, IS 45 MILES PER
10	HOUR OR GREATER.
11	(2) A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM MAY BE USED ONLY:
12	(I) ON A HIGHWAY AS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF
13	THIS SUBSECTION;
14	(II) WHEN BEING OPERATED BY A WORK ZONE SPEED
15	CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATOR; AND
16	(III) IF, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MARYLAND MANUAL ON
10 17	UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, A CONSPICUOUS ROAD SIGN IS PLACED
18	WITHIN ONE-QUARTER OF A MILE AT A REASONABLE DISTANCE CONSISTENT
19	WITH NATIONAL GUIDELINES BEFORE THE WORK ZONE ALERTING DRIVERS
20	THAT A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM MAY BE IN OPERATION IN THE WORK ZONE.
21	(3) A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM MAY BE USED ONLY
22	TO RECORD THE IMAGES OF VEHICLES THAT ARE TRAVELING AT SPEEDS THAT
23	ARE AT LEAST 10 MILES PER HOUR ABOVE THE POSTED WORK ZONE SPEED
24	LIMIT.
25	(4) (1) A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATOR
26	SHALL COMPLETE TRAINING BY THE MANUFACTURER OF THE WORK ZONE
27	SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM IN THE PROCEDURES FOR SETTING UP, TESTING, AND
28	OPERATING THE WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM.
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29	(II) THE MANUFACTURER SHALL ISSUE A SIGNED
30	CERTIFICATE TO THE WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATOR ON
31	COMPLETION OF THE TRAINING.

1 (III) THE CERTIFICATE OF TRAINING SHALL BE ADMITTED AS 2 EVIDENCE IN ANY COURT PROCEEDING FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION. 3 (5) A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATOR SHALL 4 FILL OUT AND SIGN A DAILY SET-UP LOG FOR A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL $\mathbf{5}$ SYSTEM THAT: 6 **(I)** STATES THE DATE AND TIME WHEN AND THE LOCATION $\mathbf{7}$ WHERE THE SYSTEM WAS SET UP; 8 **(II)** STATES THAT THE WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL 9 SYSTEM **OPERATOR** SUCCESSFULLY PERFORMED THE 10 MANUFACTURER-SPECIFIED SELF-TESTS OF THE WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL 11 SYSTEM BEFORE PRODUCING A RECORDED IMAGE; 12 (III) SHALL BE KEPT ON FILE; AND 13 (IV) SHALL BE ADMITTED AS EVIDENCE IN ANY COURT 14 PROCEEDING FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION. 15(6) **(I)** A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM SHALL 16 UNDERGO AN ANNUAL CALIBRATION CHECK PERFORMED BY AN INDEPENDENT 17**CALIBRATION LABORATORY.** 18 **(II)** THE INDEPENDENT CALIBRATION LABORATORY SHALL 19 ISSUE A SIGNED CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION AFTER THE ANNUAL 20**CALIBRATION CHECK THAT:** 211. SHALL BE KEPT ON FILE; AND 222. SHALL BE ADMITTED AS EVIDENCE IN ANY COURT 23PROCEEDING FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION. 24THE PROCUREMENT OF A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL (7) 25SYSTEM BY A UNIT OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN 26ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDDING REQUIREMENTS OF § 2713-103 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE, EXCEPT THAT 28THE UNIT MAY NOT AWARD THE PROCUREMENT CONTRACT UNLESS THERE IS 29 MORE THAN ONE BIDDER.

(C) (1) UNLESS THE DRIVER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE RECEIVED A
 CITATION FROM A POLICE OFFICER AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION, THE
 OWNER OR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (F)(4) OF THIS SECTION, THE
 DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY IF AN IMAGE OF
 THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS RECORDED BY A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM

20 HOUSE BILL 364 1 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION WHILE BEING 2 **OPERATED IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE.** 3 (2) A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT EXCEED 4 **\$75.** 5 (3) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE DISTRICT COURT 6 SHALL: 7 **(I) PRESCRIBE A UNIFORM CITATION FORM CONSISTENT** 8 WITH SUBSECTION (D)(1) OF THIS SECTION AND § 7-302 OF THE COURTS 9 **ARTICLE; AND** 10 INDICATE ON THE CITATION THE AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL **(II)** 11 PENALTY TO BE PAID BY PERSONS WHO CHOOSE TO PREPAY THE CIVIL PENALTY 12 WITHOUT APPEARING IN DISTRICT COURT. 13 (1) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPHS (2) THROUGH **(D)** 14 (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE A LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OR STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT, STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT, OR POLICE DEPARTMENT 1516 CONTRACTOR SHALL MAIL TO THE OWNER LIABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF 17THIS SECTION A CITATION THAT SHALL INCLUDE: 18 **(I)** THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OWNER 19 **OF THE VEHICLE:** 20 **(II)** THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE 21**INVOLVED IN THE VIOLATION;** 22(III) THE VIOLATION CHARGED; 23(IV) THE LOCATION WHERE THE VIOLATION OCCURRED; $\mathbf{24}$ **(V)** THE DATE AND TIME OF THE VIOLATION; 25(VI) AT LEAST ONE RECORDED IMAGE OF THE VEHICLE WITH 26A DATA BAR IMPRINTED ON EACH IMAGE THAT INCLUDES THE SPEED OF THE 27VEHICLE AND THE DATE AND TIME THE IMAGE WAS RECORDED; 28(VII) THE AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL PENALTY IMPOSED AND THE 29 DATE BY WHICH THE CIVIL PENALTY SHOULD BE PAID; 30 (VIII) A SIGNED STATEMENT BY A POLICE **OFFICER** 31 EMPLOYED BY THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OR STATE POLICE

1 DEPARTMENT THAT, BASED ON INSPECTION OF RECORDED IMAGES, THE MOTOR 2 VEHICLE WAS BEING OPERATED IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE; 3 (IX) A STATEMENT THAT RECORDED IMAGES ARE EVIDENCE 4 OF A VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE; 5 **(X) INFORMATION ADVISING THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE** 6 LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION OF THE MANNER AND TIME IN WHICH LIABILITY $\mathbf{7}$ AS ALLEGED IN THE CITATION MAY BE CONTESTED IN THE DISTRICT COURT; 8 AND 9 (XI) INFORMATION ADVISING THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE 10 LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION THAT FAILURE TO PAY THE CIVIL PENALTY OR TO 11 **CONTEST LIABILITY IN A TIMELY MANNER:** 12 1. IS AN ADMISSION OF LIABILITY; 132. MAY RESULT IN THE REFUSAL TO REGISTER THE 14 **MOTOR VEHICLE; AND** 153. MAY RESULT IN THE SUSPENSION OF THE MOTOR 16 **VEHICLE REGISTRATION.** 17(2) THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OR STATE POLICE 18 DEPARTMENT MAY MAIL A WARNING NOTICE INSTEAD OF A CITATION TO THE 19 **OWNER LIABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.** 20(3) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (F)(4) OF THIS 21SECTION, THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OR STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT 22MAY NOT MAIL A CITATION TO A PERSON WHO IS NOT AN OWNER. 23(4) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (F)(4) OF THIS 24SECTION, A CITATION ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE MAILED NO 25LATER THAN 2 WEEKS AFTER THE ALLEGED VIOLATION IF THE VEHICLE IS 26 REGISTERED IN THIS STATE, AND 30 DAYS AFTER THE ALLEGED VIOLATION IF 27THE VEHICLE IS REGISTERED IN ANOTHER STATE. 28(5) A PERSON WHO RECEIVES A CITATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) 29 **OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY:** 30 PAY THE CIVIL PENALTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH **(I)** 31**INSTRUCTIONS ON THE CITATION; OR** 32ELECT TO STAND TRIAL IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR **(II)** 33 THE ALLEGED VIOLATION.

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1 **(E)** (1) A CERTIFICATE ALLEGING THAT THE VIOLATION OF THIS $\mathbf{2}$ SUBTITLE OCCURRED AND THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF 3 THIS SECTION HAVE BEEN SATISFIED, SWORN TO, OR AFFIRMED BY A POLICE 4 OFFICER EMPLOYED BY THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OR STATE POLICE 5 DEPARTMENT, BASED ON INSPECTION OF RECORDED IMAGES PRODUCED BY A 6 WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM, SHALL BE EVIDENCE OF THE FACTS 7 CONTAINED IN THE CERTIFICATE AND SHALL BE ADMISSIBLE IN A PROCEEDING 8 ALLEGING A VIOLATION UNDER THIS SECTION WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OR 9 TESTIMONY OF THE WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATOR WHO 10 PERFORMED THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.

(2) IF A PERSON WHO RECEIVED A CITATION UNDER SUBSECTION
(b) OF THIS SECTION DESIRES A WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM
OPERATOR TO BE PRESENT AND TESTIFY AT TRIAL, THE PERSON SHALL NOTIFY
THE COURT AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT THAT ISSUED THE CITATION IN
WRITING NO LATER THAN 20 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL.

16(3) ADJUDICATION OF LIABILITY SHALL BE BASED ON A17PREPONDERANCE OF EVIDENCE.

18(F)(1)THE DISTRICT COURT MAY CONSIDER IN DEFENSE OF A19VIOLATION:

(I) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,
 THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE OR THE REGISTRATION PLATES OF THE MOTOR
 VEHICLE WERE STOLEN BEFORE THE VIOLATION OCCURRED AND WERE NOT
 UNDER THE CONTROL OR POSSESSION OF THE VEHICLE OWNER AT THE TIME OF
 THE VIOLATION;

(II) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION,
 EVIDENCE THAT THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION WAS NOT OPERATING
 THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION; AND

(III) ANY OTHER ISSUES AND EVIDENCE THAT THE DISTRICT
 COURT DEEMS PERTINENT.

30 (2) IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE OR
 31 THE REGISTRATION PLATES WERE STOLEN BEFORE THE VIOLATION OCCURRED
 32 AND WERE NOT UNDER THE CONTROL OR POSSESSION OF THE OWNER AT THE
 33 TIME OF THE VIOLATION, THE OWNER SHALL SUBMIT PROOF THAT A POLICE
 34 REPORT REGARDING THE STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE OR REGISTRATION PLATES
 35 WAS FILED IN A TIMELY MANNER.

1 (3) TO SATISFY THE EVIDENTIARY BURDEN UNDER PARAGRAPH 2 (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION SHALL 3 PROVIDE TO THE DISTRICT COURT A LETTER, SWORN TO OR AFFIRMED BY THE 4 PERSON AND MAILED BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, THAT: $\mathbf{5}$ **(I)** STATES THAT THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION 6 WAS NOT OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION; AND 7 PROVIDES THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND, IF POSSIBLE, THE **(II)** 8 DRIVER'S LICENSE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE PERSON WHO WAS 9 **OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION; AND** 10 (III) INCLUDES ANY OTHER CORROBORATING EVIDENCE. 11 IF THE DISTRICT COURT FINDS THAT THE PERSON (4) **(I)** 12 NAMED IN THE CITATION WAS NOT OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF 13 THE VIOLATION OR RECEIVES EVIDENCE UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS 14 SUBSECTION IDENTIFYING THE PERSON DRIVING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF 15THE VIOLATION, THE CLERK OF THE COURT MAY PROVIDE TO THE POLICE 16 DEPARTMENT THAT ISSUED THE CITATION A COPY OF ANY EVIDENCE 17 SUBSTANTIATING WHO WAS OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE 18 VIOLATION. 19 **(II) ON RECEIPT OF SUBSTANTIATING EVIDENCE FROM THE** 20 **DISTRICT COURT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE POLICE** 21DEPARTMENT THAT ISSUED THE CITATION MAY ISSUE A CITATION AS PROVIDED 22IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION TO THE PERSON WHO THE EVIDENCE 23INDICATES WAS OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION. 24(III) ANY CITATION ISSUED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF 25THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE MAILED NO LATER THAN 2 WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT 26 OF THE EVIDENCE FROM THE DISTRICT COURT. 27(G) IF A PERSON LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION DOES NOT PAY THE CIVIL 28PENALTY OR CONTEST THE VIOLATION, THE ADMINISTRATION: 29(1) MAY REFUSE ТО REGISTER OR REREGISTER THE 30 **REGISTRATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE CITED FOR THE VIOLATION; OR** 31 (2) MAY SUSPEND THE REGISTRATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE 32CITED FOR THE VIOLATION. 33 A VIOLATION FOR WHICH A CIVIL PENALTY IS IMPOSED UNDER THIS **(H)** 34**SECTION:**

L 2	(1) IS NOT A MOVING VIOLATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSESSING POINTS UNDER § 16–402 OF THIS ARTICLE;
3	(2) MAY NOT BE RECORDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION ON THE
Ł	DRIVING RECORD OF THE OWNER OR DRIVER OF THE VEHICLE;
5	(3) MAY BE TREATED AS A PARKING VIOLATION FOR PURPOSES
5	OF § 26–305 OF THIS ARTICLE; AND
7	(4) MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED IN THE PROVISION OF MOTOR
3	VEHICLE INSURANCE COVERAGE.
)	(I) IN CONSULTATION WITH LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND STATE
)	POLICE DEPARTMENTS, THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL
L	ADOPT PROCEDURES FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS, THE TRIAL OF CIVIL
2	VIOLATIONS, AND THE COLLECTION OF CIVIL PENALTIES UNDER THIS SECTION.

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17(K)THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE AND THE STATE HIGHWAY18ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT JOINTLY REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING19STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR SPEED CONTROL SYSTEMS AUTHORIZED20UNDER THIS SECTION.

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22The Administration may not register or transfer the registration of any (a) 23vehicle involved in a parking violation under this subtitle, a violation under any 24federal parking regulation that applies to property in this State under the jurisdiction of the U.S. government, a violation of § 21–202(h) of this article as determined under § 252621-202.1 of this article or Title 21, Subtitle 8 of this article as determined under 27§ 21–809 OR § 21–810 of this article, or a violation of the State litter control law or a 28local law or ordinance adopted by Baltimore City relating to the unlawful disposal of 29 litter as determined under § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article, if:

(1) It is notified by a political subdivision or authorized State agency
that the person cited for the violation under this subtitle, § 21-202.1 [or], § 21-809,
OR § 21-810 of this article, or § 10-112 of the Criminal Law Article has failed to
either:

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citation; or

(i) Pay the fine for the violation by the date specified in the

1	(ii) File a notice of his intention to stand trial for the violation;
$2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5$	(2) It is notified by the District Court that a person who has elected to stand trial for the violation under this subtitle, under § 21–202.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 21–810 of this article, or under § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article has failed to appear for trial; or
$6 \\ 7$	(3) It is notified by a U.S. District Court that a person cited for a violation under a federal parking regulation:
8 9	(i) Has failed to pay the fine for the violation by the date specified in the federal citation; or
10 11	(ii) Either has failed to file a notice of his intention to stand trial for the violation, or, if electing to stand trial, has failed to appear for trial.
12	26–401.
$13 \\ 14 \\ 15 \\ 16$	If a person is taken before a District Court commissioner or is given a traffic citation or a civil citation under § 21–202.1 [or], § 21–809, OR § 21–810 of this article containing a notice to appear in court, the commissioner or court shall be one that sits within the county in which the offense allegedly was committed.
17	SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:
18 19 20 21	(1) Beginning in fiscal year 2009 and each fiscal year thereafter, each local jurisdiction shall use the revenues generated from the enforcement of speed limit laws as authorized under this Act solely to increase local expenditures for related public safety purposes, including pedestrian safety programs; and
$22 \\ 23 \\ 24$	(2) Related public safety expenditures required under this Section shall be used to supplement and may not supplant existing local expenditures for the same purpose.
25 26 27 28 29	SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, during the $\frac{12-\text{month}}{30-\text{day}}$ period after the first work zone speed control system is in place, a law enforcement agency may issue warnings, but may not issue citations, for violations enforced in accordance with § 21–810 of the Transportation Article as enacted by this Act.
30 31 32 33	SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, if a contractor provides or deploys, deploys, or operates a work zone speed control system for a police department under Section 2 of this Act, the contractor's fee may not be contingent on the numbers of citations issued or paid.
$\frac{34}{35}$	SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have

any effect on or application to any contract awarded before the effective date of this
 Act.

3 SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That an obligation or contract 4 right existing on the effective date of this Act may not be impaired in any way by this 5 Act.

6 SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That each local jurisdiction 7 that enforces speed limit laws as authorized under this Act shall report to the 8 Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2012, in accordance 9 with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the effectiveness of speed 10 monitoring systems in the jurisdiction.

11 <u>SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That § 21–809(b)(1)(i), (iii),</u> 12 and (v) of the Transportation Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, does not 13 apply to speed monitoring systems installed and operated in Montgomery County 14 before October 1, 2008.

15 SECTION 9. 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
 effect October 1, 2008.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.