

HOUSE BILL 1137

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By: **Delegates Healey, Beidle, Frush, Glenn, Holmes, and Niemann**
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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Speed Monitoring Systems – Uniform Warning Signs**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that certain signs placed for the purpose of alerting
4 drivers to the presence of speed monitoring systems be uniform throughout the
5 State; requiring that certain signs placed for the purpose of alerting drivers to
6 the presence of work zone speed control systems be uniform throughout the
7 State; and generally relating to signs alerting drivers to the presence of speed
8 monitoring and work zone speed control systems.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Transportation
11 Section 21–809(b)(1)(vii) and 21–810(b)(2)(iii)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

14 BY adding to
15 Article – Transportation
16 Section 21–809(k) and 21–810(l)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Transportation**

22 21–809.

23 (b) (1) (vii) Before activating an unmanned stationary speed monitoring
24 system, the local jurisdiction shall:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

3 2. Ensure, **SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (K) OF THIS**
4 **SECTION**, that each sign that designates a school zone indicates that speed monitoring
5 systems are in use in school zones; and

6 3. With regard to a speed monitoring system established
7 based on proximity to an institution of higher education under paragraph (1)(vi)3 of
8 this subsection, ensure that all speed limit signs approaching and within the segment
9 of highway on which the speed monitoring system is located include signs that,
10 **SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (K) OF THIS SECTION**:

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

14 B. Indicate that a speed monitoring system is in use.

15 **(K) SIGNS PLACED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALERTING DRIVERS TO THE**
16 **PRESENCE OF SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS SHALL BE UNIFORM THROUGHOUT**
17 **THE STATE.**

18 21–810.

19 (b) (2) A work zone speed control system may be used only:

20 (iii) If, **SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (L) OF THIS SECTION AND**
21 in accordance with the Maryland manual on uniform traffic control devices, a
22 conspicuous road sign is placed at a reasonable distance consistent with national
23 guidelines before the work zone alerting drivers that a speed monitoring system may
24 be in operation in the work zone.

25 **(L) SIGNS PLACED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALERTING DRIVERS TO THE**
26 **PRESENCE OF WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEMS SHALL BE UNIFORM**
27 **THROUGHOUT THE STATE.**

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 October 1, 2011.