

# HOUSE BILL 1137

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

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~~ altering certain requirements for certain signs placed for the purpose of  
8 alerting drivers to the presence of speed monitoring systems; requiring certain  
9 speed monitoring system warning signs to be placed in close proximity to  
10 certain signs designating a school zone; requiring certain speed monitoring  
11 system warning signs to be in accordance with certain specifications and  
12 regulations; requiring the State Highway Administration to adopt certain  
13 regulations governing certain signs; and generally relating to signs alerting  
14 drivers to the presence of speed monitoring ~~and work zone speed control~~  
15 systems.

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
17 Article – Transportation  
18 Section 21–809(b)(1)(vii) ~~and 21–810(b)(2)(iii)~~  
19 Annotated Code of Maryland  
20 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

21 BY adding to  
22 Article – Transportation  
23 Section 21–809(k) ~~and 21–810(l)~~

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### 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.



1 Annotated Code of Maryland  
2 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

5 **Article – Transportation**

6 21–809.

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

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

12 2. Ensure, ~~SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (K) OF THIS~~  
13 ~~SECTION, that~~ THAT, IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO each sign that designates a school  
14 zone ~~indicates that speed monitoring systems are in use in school zones; and~~

15 ~~3. With regard to a speed monitoring system established~~  
16 ~~based on proximity to an institution of higher education under paragraph (1)(vi)3 of~~  
17 ~~this subsection, ensure that all speed limit signs approaching and within the segment~~  
18 ~~of highway on which the speed monitoring system is located include signs that,~~  
19 ~~SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (K) OF THIS SECTION, A CONSPICUOUS SIGN IS~~  
20 PLACED THAT:

21 A. ~~Are~~ IS in accordance with the manual and  
22 specifications for a uniform system of traffic control devices adopted by the State  
23 Highway Administration under § 25–104 of this article; ~~and~~

24 B. ~~Indicate~~ INDICATES that a speed monitoring system  
25 is in use; AND

26 C. IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS ADOPTED  
27 UNDER SUBSECTION (K) OF THIS SECTION.

28 ~~(K) SIGNS PLACED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALERTING DRIVERS TO THE~~  
29 ~~PRESENCE OF SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS SHALL BE UNIFORM THROUGHOUT~~  
30 ~~THE STATE THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT~~  
31 ~~REGULATIONS GOVERNING SIGNS PLACED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION~~  
32 (B)(1)(VII) OF THIS SECTION.

33 ~~21–810.~~

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

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

7           ~~(L)   SIGNS PLACED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALERTING DRIVERS TO THE~~  
8 ~~PRESENCE OF WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEMS SHALL BE UNIFORM~~  
9 ~~THROUGHOUT THE STATE.~~

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

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.