

## Chapter 534

**(Senate Bill 10)**

AN ACT concerning

**State Highway Administration – Speed Monitoring Systems – Application Approval**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to approve, deny, or return as incomplete an application for the use of a certain speed monitoring system within a certain number of days; providing that if the Administration does not approve, deny, or return the application in accordance with this Act, the application is deemed approved; limiting the number of applications that may be submitted within a certain period of time; and generally relating to applications for the use of speed monitoring systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
 Article – Transportation  
 Section 21–809(a)(1), (5), and (9)  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 Article – Transportation  
 Section 21–809(b)(1)(ii)  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

**Article – Transportation**

21–809.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(5) “Program administrator” means an employee or a representative of the local jurisdiction, the State Highway Administration, or the Maryland Transportation Authority designated by the local jurisdiction, the State Highway Administration, or the Authority to oversee a contract with a speed monitoring system contractor.

(9) “Speed monitoring system” means a device with one or more motor vehicle sensors producing recorded images of motor vehicles traveling at speeds at least 12 miles per hour above the posted speed limit.

(b) (1) (ii) 1. Before a county may use a speed monitoring system on a State highway at a location within a municipal corporation, the county shall:

[1.] A. Obtain the approval of the State Highway Administration;

[2.] B. Notify the municipal corporation of the State Highway Administration's approval of the use of a speed monitoring system at that location; and

[3.] C. Grant the municipal corporation 60 days from the date of the county's notice to the municipal corporation to enact an ordinance authorizing the municipal corporation instead of the county to use a speed monitoring system at that location.

**2. A. WITHIN ~~90~~ 120 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY A PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR OR THE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR'S CONTRACTOR FOR THE USE OF A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION SHALL APPROVE OR DENY THE APPLICATION OR RETURN THE APPLICATION AS INCOMPLETE.**

**B. IF THE ADMINISTRATION DOES NOT APPROVE, DENY, OR RETURN AN APPLICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSUBSUBPARAGRAPH A OF THIS SUBSUBPARAGRAPH, THE APPLICATION SHALL BE DEEMED APPROVED.**

**C. A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM CONTRACTOR THAT SUBMITS AN APPLICATION UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL CONSULT WITH THE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR BEFORE AND AFTER THE SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION.**

**D. A PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR OR THE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR'S CONTRACTOR MAY NOT SUBMIT MORE THAN 10 APPLICATIONS FOR THE USE OF A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH DURING ANY 30-DAY PERIOD.**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2026.

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2026.