

# SENATE BILL 487

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By: **Senator Henson**

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

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicles – Speed Monitoring Systems – Safety Corridors**  
3 **(Vulnerable Road User Protection Act of 2026)**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Highway Administration to implement a program  
5 of safety corridor speed monitoring systems for use in areas determined to be of high  
6 risk to vulnerable road users; authorizing a local jurisdiction to use speed monitoring  
7 systems in safety corridors under certain circumstances; and generally relating to  
8 the use of speed monitoring systems in safety corridors.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
11 Section 4–401(13), 7–301(a)(1) and (f)(1), 7–302(e)(1), (2), and (3)(i), and 10–311(b)  
12 and (h)  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
16 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
17 Section 7–301(f)(2) and 7–302(e)(4)(i)  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

20 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
21 Article – General Provisions  
22 Section 4–321

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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 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

3 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
4 Article – Insurance  
5 Section 11–215(e) and 11–318(e)  
6 Annotated Code of Maryland  
7 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Transportation  
10 Section 12–113.1(b), 12–118(c), 21–809(b)(1)(vi), 26–305(a), and 26–401  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
14 Article – Transportation  
15 Section 12–113.1(c)(1), 21–101(a), and 21–809(a)(1) and (9) and (b)(1)(i)1. and (v)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

18 BY adding to  
19 Article – Transportation  
20 Section 12–118(f), 21–101(t–1), and 21–810.1  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

25 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

26 4–401.

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

29 (13) A proceeding for a civil infraction under § 21–202.1, § 21–704.1, §  
30 21–706.1, § 21–707.1, § 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–810.1**, § 21–1134, § 22–612, or § 24–111.3  
31 of the Transportation Article or § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article;

32 7–301.

33 (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, the  
34 court costs in a traffic case, including parking and impounding cases, cases under §  
35 21–202.1, § 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–810.1**, § 21–1414, or § 24–111.3 of the Transportation

1 Article in which costs are imposed, and cases under § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article  
2 in which costs are imposed:

3 (i) Are \$22.50; and

4 (ii) Shall also be applicable to those cases in which the defendant  
5 elects to waive the defendant's right to trial and pay the fine or penalty deposit established  
6 by the Chief Judge of the District Court by administrative regulation.

7 (f) (1) This subsection does not apply to a traffic case under § 21–202.1,  
8 § 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–810.1**, or § 21–1414 of the Transportation Article or to a parking  
9 or impounding case.

10 (2) In a traffic case under subsection (a)(1) of this section the court shall  
11 add a \$7.50 surcharge to any fine imposed by the court.

12 7–302.

13 (e) (1) (i) A citation issued under § 21–202.1, § 21–706.1, § 21–707.1, §  
14 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–810.1**, § 21–1134, § 22–612, or § 24–111.3 of the Transportation  
15 Article shall provide that the person receiving the citation may elect to stand trial by  
16 notifying the issuing agency of the person's intention to stand trial at least 5 days before  
17 the date of payment as set forth in the citation.

18 (ii) On receipt of the notice to stand trial, the agency shall forward  
19 to the District Court having venue a copy of the citation and a copy of the notice from the  
20 person who received the citation indicating the person's intention to stand trial.

21 (iii) On receipt thereof, the District Court shall schedule the case for  
22 trial and notify the defendant of the trial date under procedures adopted by the Chief Judge  
23 of the District Court.

24 (2) (i) A citation issued as the result of any of the following systems or  
25 cameras controlled by a political subdivision shall provide that, in an uncontested case, the  
26 penalty shall be paid directly to that political subdivision:

- 27 1. A vehicle height monitoring system;
- 28 2. A traffic control signal monitoring system;
- 29 3. A speed monitoring system;
- 30 4. A work zone speed control system;
- 31 5. A stop sign monitoring system;
- 32 6. A school bus monitoring camera;



1           (4)   (i)    Except as provided in paragraphs (5) and (6) of this subsection,  
2 from the fines collected by a political subdivision as a result of violations enforced by speed  
3 monitoring systems, work zone speed control systems, stop sign monitoring systems, school  
4 bus monitoring cameras, bus lane monitoring systems, or noise abatement monitoring  
5 systems, a political subdivision:

6                   1.    May recover the costs of implementing and administering  
7 the speed monitoring systems, work zone speed control systems, stop sign monitoring  
8 systems, school bus monitoring cameras, bus lane monitoring systems, or noise abatement  
9 monitoring systems; and

10                   2.   Subject to subparagraphs (ii), (iii), and (iv) of this  
11 paragraph, may spend any remaining balance solely for public safety purposes, including  
12 pedestrian or highway safety programs.

13 10–311.

14           (b)    A recorded image of a motor vehicle produced by a speed monitoring system  
15 in accordance with § 21–809 [or], § 21–810, **OR § 21–810.1** 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.

18           (h)    In any other judicial proceeding, a recorded image produced by a vehicle  
19 height monitoring system, traffic control signal monitoring system, speed monitoring  
20 system, work zone speed control system, **SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING**  
21 **SYSTEM**, stop sign monitoring system, school bus monitoring camera, or bus lane  
22 monitoring system or a recorded image and any relevant recorded audio produced by a noise  
23 abatement monitoring system in conjunction with a noise measuring device is admissible  
24 as otherwise provided by law.

## 25                                   Article – General Provisions

26 4–321.

27           (a)    In this section, “recorded image” or “recorded images” has the meaning stated  
28 in § 21–202.1, § 21–706.1, § 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–810.1**, § 21–1134, § 22–612, or §  
29 24–111.3 of the Transportation Article.

30           (b)    Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, a custodian shall deny  
31 inspection of recorded images produced by:

32                   (1)   a traffic control signal monitoring system operated under § 21–202.1 of  
33 the Transportation Article;

34                   (2)   an automated railroad grade crossing enforcement system operated  
35 under § 21–704.1 of the Transportation Article;

1 (3) a school bus monitoring camera operated under § 21-706.1 of the  
2 Transportation Article;

3 (4) a stop sign monitoring system operated under § 21-707.1 of the  
4 Transportation Article;

5 (5) a speed monitoring system operated under § 21-809 of the  
6 Transportation Article;

7 (6) a work zone speed control system operated under § 21-810 of the  
8 Transportation Article;

9 (7) **A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM OPERATED**  
10 **UNDER § 21-810.1 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE;**

11 (8) a bus lane monitoring system operated under § 21-1134 of the  
12 Transportation Article;

13 [(8)] (9) a noise abatement monitoring system operated under § 22-612  
14 of the Transportation Article; or

15 [(9)] (10) a vehicle height monitoring system operated under § 24-111.3 of  
16 the Transportation Article.

17 (c) A custodian shall allow inspection of recorded images:

18 (1) as required in § 12-113.1, § 21-202.1, § 21-704.1, § 21-706.1, §  
19 21-707.1, § 21-809, § 21-810, **§ 21-810.1**, § 21-1134, § 22-612, or § 24-111.3 of the  
20 Transportation Article;

21 (2) by any person issued a citation under § 21-202.1, § 21-704.1, §  
22 21-706.1, § 21-707.1, § 21-809, § 21-810, **§ 21-810.1**, § 21-1134, § 22-612, or § 24-111.3  
23 of the Transportation Article, or by an attorney of record for the person; or

24 (3) by an employee or agent of an agency in an investigation or a proceeding  
25 relating to the imposition of or indemnification from civil liability under § 21-202.1, §  
26 21-704.1, § 21-706.1, § 21-707.1, § 21-809, § 21-810, **§ 21-810.1**, § 21-1134, § 22-612, or  
27 § 24-111.3 of the Transportation Article.

28 **Article – Insurance**

29 11-215.

30 (e) For purposes of reclassifying an insured in a classification that entails a  
31 higher premium, an insurer under an automobile insurance policy may not consider a

1 probation before judgment disposition of a motor vehicle law offense, a civil penalty imposed  
2 pursuant to § 21–202.1, § 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–810.1**, or § 24–111.3 of the  
3 Transportation Article, or a first offense of driving with an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or  
4 more under § 16–205.1 of the Transportation Article on record with the Motor Vehicle  
5 Administration, as provided in § 16–117(b) of the Transportation Article.

6 11–318.

7 (e) For purposes of reclassifying an insured in a classification that entails a  
8 higher premium, an insurer under an automobile insurance policy may not consider a  
9 probation before judgment disposition of a motor vehicle law offense, a civil penalty imposed  
10 pursuant to § 21–202.1, § 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–810.1**, or § 24–111.3 of the  
11 Transportation Article, or a first offense of driving with an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or  
12 more under § 16–205.1 of the Transportation Article on record with the Motor Vehicle  
13 Administration, as provided in § 16–117(b) of the Transportation Article.

#### 14 Article – Transportation

15 12–113.1.

16 (b) This section applies to:

17 (1) Traffic control signal monitoring systems under § 21–202.1 of this  
18 article;

19 (2) Automated railroad grade crossing enforcement systems under §  
20 21–704.1 of this article;

21 (3) School bus monitoring cameras under § 21–706.1 of this article;

22 (4) Stop sign monitoring systems under § 21–707.1 of this article;

23 (5) Speed monitoring systems under § 21–809 of this article;

24 (6) Work zone speed control systems under § 21–810 of this article;

25 (7) **SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS UNDER §**  
26 **21–810.1 OF THIS ARTICLE;**

27 (8) Bus lane monitoring systems under § 21–1134 of this article;

28 **[(8)] (9)** Noise abatement monitoring systems under § 22–612 of this  
29 article;

30 **[(9)] (10)** Vehicle height monitoring systems under § 24–111.3 of this  
31 article; and

1            ~~[(10)]~~ **(11)** Any other automated traffic enforcement system authorized  
2 under State law.

3            (c)    (1)    Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, an  
4 agency may not access or use a recorded image or associated data without a warrant,  
5 subpoena, or court order unless the access or use is for an appropriate traffic enforcement  
6 purpose.

7 12–118.

8            (c)    (1)    Except as provided in [paragraph] **PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3)** of this  
9 subsection, notwithstanding any other law and in addition to any other exceptions provided  
10 by law, all costs, fines, penalties, and forfeitures received by or paid to the District Court  
11 under the Maryland Vehicle Law shall be collected and remitted as provided in the Courts  
12 Article.

13            (2)    The Comptroller shall distribute revenue from the civil fines collected  
14 through use of a work zone speed control system controlled by a State agency under §  
15 21–810 of this article to a special fund, to be used only as provided in subsection (e) of this  
16 section.

17            **(3)    THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DISTRIBUTE REVENUE FROM THE**  
18 **CIVIL FINES COLLECTED THROUGH THE USE OF A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED**  
19 **MONITORING SYSTEM CONTROLLED BY A STATE AGENCY UNDER § 21–810.1 OF THIS**  
20 **ARTICLE TO A SPECIAL FUND TO BE USED ONLY AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (F) OF**  
21 **THIS SECTION.**

22            **(F)    (1)    (I)    MONEY IN THE SPECIAL FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER**  
23 **SUBSECTION (C)(3) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED FIRST TO THE STATE**  
24 **HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION TO COVER THE COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING AND**  
25 **ADMINISTERING SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS.**

26            **(II)    AFTER THE DISTRIBUTION UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF**  
27 **THIS PARAGRAPH, THE REMAINING BALANCE SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE**  
28 **TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND FOR:**

29                            1.    **HIGHWAY SAFETY PURPOSES; AND**

30                            2.    **STATE    HIGHWAY    ADMINISTRATION    SYSTEM**  
31 **PRESERVATION.**

32            **(2)    MONEY DISTRIBUTED TO THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION**  
33 **UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS SUPPLEMENTAL TO AND IS NOT**  
34 **INTENDED TO TAKE THE PLACE OF FUNDING THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE**

1 APPROPRIATED FOR THE USES DESCRIBED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS  
2 SUBSECTION.

3 21-101.

4 (a) In this title and Title 25 of this article the following words have the meanings  
5 indicated.

6 (T-1) **“SAFETY CORRIDOR” MEANS A SEGMENT OF A HIGHWAY THAT IS**  
7 **IDENTIFIED BY THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION AS AN AREA OF HIGH RISK**  
8 **TO VULNERABLE ROAD USERS IN A VULNERABLE ROAD USER SAFETY ASSESSMENT**  
9 **PREPARED UNDER 23 U.S.C. § 148.**

10 21-809.

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

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

15 (b) (1) (i) 1. A speed monitoring system may not be used by a local  
16 jurisdiction under this section unless its use is authorized by the governing body of the local  
17 jurisdiction by local law enacted after reasonable notice and a public hearing.

18 (v) An ordinance or resolution adopted by the governing body of a  
19 local jurisdiction under this paragraph shall provide that, if the local jurisdiction moves or  
20 places a mobile or stationary speed monitoring system to or at a location where a speed  
21 monitoring system had not previously been moved or placed, the local jurisdiction may not  
22 issue a citation for a violation recorded by that speed monitoring system:

23 1. Until signage is installed in accordance with  
24 subparagraph (viii) of this paragraph; and

25 2. For at least the first 15 calendar days after the signage is  
26 installed.

27 (vi) This section applies to a violation of this subtitle recorded by a  
28 speed monitoring system that meets the requirements of this subsection and has been  
29 placed:

30 1. In Anne Arundel County, Montgomery County, or Prince  
31 George’s County, on a highway in a residential district, as defined in § 21-101 of this title,  
32 with a maximum posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour, which speed limit was established  
33 using generally accepted traffic engineering practices;



1 **21-810.1.**

2 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS  
3 INDICATED.

4 (2) (I) "OWNER" MEANS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF A MOTOR  
5 VEHICLE OR A LESSEE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER A LEASE OF 6 MONTHS OR  
6 LONGER.

7 (II) "OWNER" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

8 1. A MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL OR LEASING COMPANY;  
9 OR

10 2. A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE  
11 ISSUED UNDER TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 9, PART III OF THIS ARTICLE.

12 (3) "RECORDED IMAGE" MEANS AN IMAGE RECORDED BY A SPEED  
13 MONITORING SYSTEM:

14 (I) ON:

15 1. A PHOTOGRAPH;

16 2. A MICROPHOTOGRAPH;

17 3. AN ELECTRONIC IMAGE;

18 4. VIDEOTAPE; OR

19 5. ANY OTHER MEDIUM; AND

20 (II) SHOWING:

21 1. THE REAR OF A MOTOR VEHICLE;

22 2. AT LEAST TWO TIME-STAMPED IMAGES OF THE  
23 MOTOR VEHICLE THAT INCLUDE THE SAME STATIONARY OBJECT NEAR THE MOTOR  
24 VEHICLE; AND

25 3. ON AT LEAST ONE IMAGE OR PORTION OF TAPE, A  
26 CLEAR AND LEGIBLE IDENTIFICATION OF THE ENTIRE REGISTRATION PLATE  
27 NUMBER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE.

1           (4) “SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM” MEANS A  
2 SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM AS DEFINED UNDER § 21-809 OF THIS SUBTITLE THAT  
3 IS PLACED AND USED IN A SAFETY CORRIDOR.

4           (5) “SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM OPERATOR”  
5 MEANS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OR ITS  
6 CONTRACTOR THAT OPERATES A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM.

7           (6) (I) “VULNERABLE ROAD USER” MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL ON A  
8 HIGHWAY WHO IS NOT TRAVELING IN A MOTOR VEHICLE.

9                       (II) “VULNERABLE ROAD USER” INCLUDES PEDESTRIANS,  
10 BICYCLISTS, OTHER CYCLISTS, PERSONS USING A PERSONAL CONVEYANCE OR A  
11 MOBILITY DEVICE SUCH AS A WHEELCHAIR, AND PERSONS ON FOOT IN A HIGHWAY  
12 WORK ZONE.

13           (B) (1) (I) A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM THAT  
14 MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE AUTHORIZED BY THE  
15 STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION AND USED BY THE STATE HIGHWAY  
16 ADMINISTRATION OR ITS CONTRACTOR TO RECORD THE IMAGES OF MOTOR  
17 VEHICLES TRAVELING ON A STATE HIGHWAY WITHIN A SAFETY CORRIDOR.

18                       (II) THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION MAY ISSUE A  
19 PERMIT AUTHORIZING A LOCAL JURISDICTION THAT OPERATES ITS OWN PROGRAM  
20 OF SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS OR WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEMS TO  
21 PLACE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 21-809 OF THIS SUBTITLE, SAFETY CORRIDOR  
22 SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS ON STATE HIGHWAYS IN SAFETY CORRIDORS WITHIN  
23 ITS JURISDICTION.

24           (2) (I) A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM MAY BE  
25 USED ONLY IF, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MARYLAND MANUAL ON UNIFORM  
26 TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, A CONSPICUOUS ROAD SIGN IS PLACED AT A  
27 REASONABLE DISTANCE CONSISTENT WITH NATIONAL GUIDELINES BEFORE THE  
28 SAFETY CORRIDOR ALERTING DRIVERS THAT A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM MAY BE  
29 IN OPERATION IN THE SAFETY CORRIDOR.

30                       (II) A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM  
31 OPERATOR DOES NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT IN PERSON OR REMOTELY AT THE  
32 SAFETY CORRIDOR WHEN A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM IS IN  
33 USE.

1 (III) A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM MAY BE  
2 A MOBILE UNIT OR A STATIONARY UNIT.

3 (3) A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM MAY BE USED  
4 ONLY TO RECORD THE IMAGES OF VEHICLES THAT ARE TRAVELING AT SPEEDS AT  
5 LEAST 12 MILES PER HOUR ABOVE THE POSTED SPEED LIMIT.

6 (4) (I) A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM SHALL  
7 UNDERGO AN ANNUAL CALIBRATION CHECK PERFORMED BY AN INDEPENDENT  
8 CALIBRATION LABORATORY.

9 (II) THE INDEPENDENT CALIBRATION LABORATORY SHALL  
10 ISSUE A SIGNED CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION AFTER THE ANNUAL CALIBRATION  
11 CHECK THAT:

12 1. SHALL BE KEPT ON FILE; AND

13 2. SHALL BE ADMITTED AS EVIDENCE IN ANY COURT  
14 PROCEEDING FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION.

15 (5) IF THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OR ITS CONTRACTOR  
16 MOVES OR PLACES A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM TO OR AT A  
17 SAFETY CORRIDOR WHERE A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM HAD  
18 NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN MOVED OR PLACED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, ~~CITATIONS~~  
19 ~~MAY NOT BE ISSUED FOR A VIOLATION RECORDED BY THAT SAFETY CORRIDOR~~  
20 ~~SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM;~~

21 ~~(I) UNTIL SIGNAGE IS INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS~~  
22 ~~SUBSECTION; AND~~

23 ~~(II) FOR AT LEAST THE FIRST 15 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE~~  
24 ~~SIGNAGE IS INSTALLED~~ THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION SHALL MAIL A  
25 WARNING NOTICE INSTEAD OF A CITATION FOR A VIOLATION RECORDED BY THE  
26 SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM DURING THE FIRST 90 DAYS THAT  
27 THE SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM IS IN OPERATION.

28 (6) THE PROCUREMENT OF OR RELATING TO A SAFETY CORRIDOR  
29 SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM BY THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION SHALL BE  
30 CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE STATE FINANCE  
31 AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

32 (7) THE PLACEMENT OF A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING  
33 SYSTEM SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION:

1           **(I) BASED ON AN ANALYSIS USING GENERALLY ACCEPTED**  
2 **TRAFFIC ENGINEERING PRACTICES TO DETERMINE AN APPROPRIATE LOCATION IN**  
3 **A SAFETY CORRIDOR, AND AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL**  
4 **JURISDICTION; AND**

5           **(II) IN A MANNER THAT IS NOT REDUNDANT WITH A SPEED**  
6 **MONITORING SYSTEM OPERATED BY A LOCAL JURISDICTION UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.**

7           **(C) (1) UNLESS THE DRIVER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE RECEIVED A**  
8 **CITATION FROM A POLICE OFFICER AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION, THE OWNER**  
9 **OR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (F)(4) OF THIS SECTION, THE DRIVER OF A**  
10 **MOTOR VEHICLE IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY IF AN IMAGE OF THE MOTOR**  
11 **VEHICLE IS RECORDED BY A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM WHILE**  
12 **BEING OPERATED IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

13           **(2) A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT EXCEED:**

14           **(I) IF THE CITATION ALLEGES THAT THE DRIVER OF THE**  
15 **MOTOR VEHICLE EXCEEDED THE SPEED LIMIT BY BETWEEN 12 AND 15, INCLUSIVE,**  
16 **MILES PER HOUR, \$40;**

17           **(II) IF THE CITATION ALLEGES THAT THE DRIVER OF THE**  
18 **MOTOR VEHICLE EXCEEDED THE SPEED LIMIT BY BETWEEN 16 AND 19, INCLUSIVE,**  
19 **MILES PER HOUR, \$70;**

20           **(III) IF THE CITATION ALLEGES THAT THE DRIVER OF THE**  
21 **MOTOR VEHICLE EXCEEDED THE SPEED LIMIT BY BETWEEN 20 AND 29, INCLUSIVE,**  
22 **MILES PER HOUR, \$120;**

23           **(IV) IF THE CITATION ALLEGES THAT THE DRIVER OF THE**  
24 **MOTOR VEHICLE EXCEEDED THE SPEED LIMIT BY BETWEEN 30 AND 39, INCLUSIVE,**  
25 **MILES PER HOUR, \$230; AND**

26           **(V) IF THE CITATION ALLEGES THAT THE DRIVER OF THE**  
27 **MOTOR VEHICLE EXCEEDED THE SPEED LIMIT BY 40 MILES PER HOUR OR MORE,**  
28 **\$425.**

29           **(3) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE DISTRICT COURT**  
30 **SHALL:**

31           **(I) PRESCRIBE A UNIFORM CITATION FORM CONSISTENT WITH**  
32 **SUBSECTION (D)(1) OF THIS SECTION AND § 7-302 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE; AND**

1           **(II) INCLUDE A PLACE ON THE CITATION TO INDICATE THE**  
2 **AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL PENALTY TO BE PAID BY PERSONS WHO CHOOSE TO PREPAY**  
3 **THE CIVIL PENALTY WITHOUT APPEARING IN DISTRICT COURT.**

4           **(D) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPHS (2) THROUGH (4) OF THIS**  
5 **SUBSECTION, THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OR ITS CONTRACTOR SHALL**  
6 **MAIL TO THE OWNER LIABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION A CITATION**  
7 **THAT SHALL INCLUDE:**

8                   **(I) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OWNER OF**  
9 **THE MOTOR VEHICLE;**

10                   **(II) THE REGISTRATION PLATE NUMBER OF THE MOTOR**  
11 **VEHICLE INVOLVED IN THE VIOLATION;**

12                   **(III) THE VIOLATION CHARGED;**

13                   **(IV) THE LOCATION WHERE THE VIOLATION OCCURRED;**

14                   **(V) THE DATE AND TIME OF THE VIOLATION;**

15                   **(VI) AT LEAST ONE RECORDED IMAGE OF THE VEHICLE WITH A**  
16 **DATA BAR IMPRINTED ON THE IMAGE THAT INCLUDES THE SPEED OF THE VEHICLE**  
17 **AND THE DATE AND TIME THE IMAGE WAS RECORDED;**

18                   **(VII) THE AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL PENALTY IMPOSED AND THE**  
19 **DATE BY WHICH THE CIVIL PENALTY MUST BE PAID;**

20                   **(VIII) A SIGNED STATEMENT UNDER OATH BY AN AUTHORIZED**  
21 **STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION REPRESENTATIVE OR CONTRACTOR THAT,**  
22 **BASED ON INSPECTION OF RECORDED IMAGES, THE MOTOR VEHICLE WAS BEING**  
23 **OPERATED IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE;**

24                   **(IX) A STATEMENT THAT RECORDED IMAGES ARE EVIDENCE OF**  
25 **A VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE;**

26                   **(X) INFORMATION ADVISING THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE**  
27 **LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION OF THE MANNER AND TIME IN WHICH LIABILITY AS**  
28 **ALLEGED IN THE CITATION MAY BE CONTESTED IN THE DISTRICT COURT; AND**

1                   **(XI) INFORMATION ADVISING THE PERSON ALLEGED TO BE**  
2 **LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION THAT FAILURE TO PAY THE CIVIL PENALTY OR TO**  
3 **CONTEST LIABILITY IN A TIMELY MANNER:**

4                   **1. IS AN ADMISSION OF LIABILITY;**

5                   **2. MAY RESULT IN THE REFUSAL TO REGISTER THE**  
6 **MOTOR VEHICLE; AND**

7                   **3. MAY RESULT IN THE SUSPENSION OF THE MOTOR**  
8 **VEHICLE REGISTRATION.**

9                   **(2) THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OR ITS CONTRACTOR**  
10 **MAY MAIL A WARNING NOTICE INSTEAD OF A CITATION TO THE OWNER LIABLE**  
11 **UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.**

12                   **(3) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (F)(4) OF THIS SECTION,**  
13 **THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OR ITS CONTRACTOR MAY NOT MAIL A**  
14 **CITATION TO A PERSON WHO IS NOT AN OWNER.**

15                   **(4) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (F)(4) OF THIS SECTION, A**  
16 **CITATION ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE MAILED NOT LATER THAN 2**  
17 **WEEKS AFTER THE ALLEGED VIOLATION IF THE VEHICLE IS REGISTERED IN THE**  
18 **STATE, AND NOT LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER THE ALLEGED VIOLATION IF THE**  
19 **VEHICLE IS REGISTERED IN ANOTHER STATE.**

20                   **(5) A PERSON WHO RECEIVES A CITATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF**  
21 **THIS SUBSECTION MAY:**

22                   **(I) PAY THE CIVIL PENALTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH**  
23 **INSTRUCTIONS ON THE CITATION; OR**

24                   **(II) ELECT TO STAND TRIAL IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE**  
25 **ALLEGED VIOLATION.**

26                   **(6) TO MAIL THE CITATION OR WARNING NOTICE, THE STATE**  
27 **HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OR ITS CONTRACTOR SHALL USE:**

28                   **(I) THE CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS ON FILE WITH THE**  
29 **ADMINISTRATION; OR**

30                   **(II) IF A MAILING ADDRESS IS UNAVAILABLE, THE CURRENT**  
31 **RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS ON FILE WITH THE ADMINISTRATION.**

1           **(E) (1) A CERTIFICATE ALLEGING THAT THE VIOLATION OF THIS**  
2 **SUBTITLE OCCURRED AND THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS**  
3 **SECTION HAVE BEEN SATISFIED, SWORN TO OR AFFIRMED BY AN AUTHORIZED**  
4 **STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION REPRESENTATIVE OR CONTRACTOR, BASED ON**  
5 **INSPECTION OF RECORDED IMAGES PRODUCED BY A SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED**  
6 **MONITORING SYSTEM, SHALL BE EVIDENCE OF THE FACTS CONTAINED IN THE**  
7 **CERTIFICATE AND SHALL BE ADMISSIBLE IN A PROCEEDING ALLEGING A VIOLATION**  
8 **UNDER THIS SECTION WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OR TESTIMONY OF THE SAFETY**  
9 **CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM OPERATOR.**

10           **(2) IF A PERSON WHO RECEIVED A CITATION UNDER SUBSECTION (D)**  
11 **OF THIS SECTION DESIRES THE SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM**  
12 **OPERATOR TO BE PRESENT AND TESTIFY AT TRIAL, THE PERSON SHALL NOTIFY THE**  
13 **DISTRICT COURT AND THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE STATE HIGHWAY**  
14 **ADMINISTRATION OR ITS CONTRACTOR THAT ISSUED THE CITATION IN WRITING**  
15 **NOT LATER THAN 20 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL.**

16           **(3) ADJUDICATION OF LIABILITY SHALL BE BASED ON A**  
17 **PREPONDERANCE OF EVIDENCE.**

18           **(F) (1) THE DISTRICT COURT MAY CONSIDER IN DEFENSE OF A**  
19 **VIOLATION:**

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

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

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

29           **(2) TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE OR THE**  
30 **REGISTRATION PLATES WERE STOLEN BEFORE THE VIOLATION OCCURRED AND**  
31 **WERE NOT UNDER THE CONTROL OR POSSESSION OF THE OWNER AT THE TIME OF**  
32 **THE VIOLATION, THE OWNER SHALL SUBMIT PROOF THAT A POLICE REPORT**  
33 **REGARDING THE STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE OR REGISTRATION PLATES WAS FILED IN**  
34 **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 PROVIDE**  
3 **TO THE DISTRICT COURT A LETTER, SWORN TO OR AFFIRMED BY THE PERSON AND**  
4 **MAILED BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, THAT:**

5           **(I) STATES THAT THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION WAS**  
6 **NOT OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION; AND**

7           **(II) INCLUDES ANY OTHER CORROBORATING EVIDENCE.**

8           **(4) (I) IF THE DISTRICT COURT FINDS THAT THE PERSON NAMED**  
9 **IN THE CITATION WAS NOT OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE**  
10 **VIOLATION OR RECEIVES EVIDENCE UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION**  
11 **IDENTIFYING THE PERSON DRIVING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION,**  
12 **THE CLERK OF THE COURT MAY PROVIDE TO THE STATE HIGHWAY**  
13 **ADMINISTRATION REPRESENTATIVE OR THE CONTRACTOR THAT ISSUED THE**  
14 **CITATION A COPY OF ANY EVIDENCE SUBSTANTIATING WHO WAS OPERATING THE**  
15 **VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION.**

16           **(II) ON RECEIPT OF SUBSTANTIATING EVIDENCE FROM THE**  
17 **DISTRICT COURT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE STATE**  
18 **HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION REPRESENTATIVE OR THE CONTRACTOR THAT ISSUED**  
19 **THE CITATION MAY ISSUE A CITATION AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS**  
20 **SECTION TO THE PERSON WHO THE EVIDENCE INDICATES WAS OPERATING THE**  
21 **VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION.**

22           **(III) ANY CITATION ISSUED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS**  
23 **PARAGRAPH SHALL BE MAILED NOT LATER THAN 2 WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE**  
24 **EVIDENCE FROM THE DISTRICT COURT.**

25           **(G) IF A PERSON LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION DOES NOT PAY THE CIVIL**  
26 **PENALTY OR CONTEST THE VIOLATION, THE ADMINISTRATION MAY:**

27           ~~**(1) REFUSE REFUSE TO REGISTER OR REREGISTER THE MOTOR**~~  
28 ~~**VEHICLE CITED FOR THE VIOLATION; OR**~~

29           ~~**(2) SUSPEND THE REGISTRATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE CITED FOR**~~  
30 ~~**THE VIOLATION.**~~

31           **(H) A VIOLATION FOR WHICH A CIVIL PENALTY IS IMPOSED UNDER THIS**  
32 **SECTION:**

1           **(1) IS NOT A MOVING VIOLATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSESSING**  
2 **POINTS UNDER § 16-402 OF THIS ARTICLE;**

3           **(2) MAY NOT BE RECORDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION ON THE**  
4 **DRIVING RECORD OF THE OWNER OR DRIVER OF THE VEHICLE;**

5           **(3) MAY BE TREATED AS A PARKING VIOLATION FOR PURPOSES OF §**  
6 **26-305 OF THIS ARTICLE; AND**

7           **(4) MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED IN THE PROVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLE**  
8 **INSURANCE COVERAGE.**

9           **(I) (1) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION,**  
10 **THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL ADOPT PROCEDURES FOR THE**  
11 **ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS, THE TRIAL OF CIVIL VIOLATIONS, AND THE COLLECTION**  
12 **OF CIVIL PENALTIES UNDER THIS SECTION.**

13           **(2) THE STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USE,**  
14 **PROCESSING, AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDED IMAGES AND ASSOCIATED DATA**  
15 **ESTABLISHED UNDER § 12-113.1 OF THIS ARTICLE APPLY TO CITATIONS ISSUED**  
16 **UNDER THIS SECTION.**

17           **(J) (1) THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OR A CONTRACTOR**  
18 **DESIGNATED BY THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADMINISTER AND**  
19 **PROCESS CIVIL CITATIONS ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION IN COORDINATION WITH**  
20 **THE DISTRICT COURT.**

21           **(2) IF A CONTRACTOR PROVIDES, DEPLOYS, OR OPERATES A SAFETY**  
22 **CORRIDOR SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM FOR THE STATE HIGHWAY**  
23 **ADMINISTRATION, THE CONTRACTOR'S FEE MAY NOT BE CONTINGENT ON THE**  
24 **NUMBER OF CITATIONS ISSUED OR PAID.**

25           **(K) THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS**  
26 **ESTABLISHING STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR SAFETY CORRIDOR SPEED**  
27 **MONITORING SYSTEMS.**

28 26-305.

29           (a) The Administration may not register or transfer the registration of any vehicle  
30 involved in a parking violation under this subtitle, a violation under any federal parking  
31 regulation that applies to property in this State under the jurisdiction of the U.S.  
32 government, a violation of § 21-202(h) of this article as determined under § 21-202.1 of this  
33 article or Title 21, Subtitle 8 of this article as determined under § 21-809 [or], § 21-810,  
34 **OR § 21-810.1** of this article, or a violation of the Illegal Dumping and Litter Control Law

1 under § 10–110 of the Criminal Law Article or a local law or ordinance adopted by  
2 Baltimore City relating to the unlawful disposal of litter as determined under § 10–112 of  
3 the Criminal Law Article, if:

4 (1) It is notified by a political subdivision or authorized State agency that  
5 the person cited for the violation under this subtitle, § 21–202.1, § 21–809, [or] § 21–810,  
6 **OR § 21–810.1** of this article, or § 10–110 or § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article has  
7 failed to either:

8 (i) Pay the fine for the violation by the date specified in the citation;  
9 or

10 (ii) File a notice of his intention to stand trial for the violation;

11 (2) It is notified by the District Court that a person who has elected to stand  
12 trial for the violation under this subtitle, under § 21–202.1, § 21–809, [or] § 21–810, **OR §**  
13 **21–810.1** of this article, or under § 10–110 or § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article has  
14 failed to appear for trial; or

15 (3) It is notified by a U.S. District Court that a person cited for a violation  
16 under a federal parking regulation:

17 (i) Has failed to pay the fine for the violation by the date specified  
18 in the federal citation; or

19 (ii) Either has failed to file a notice of the person’s intention to stand  
20 trial for the violation, or, if electing to stand trial, has failed to appear for trial.

21 26–401.

22 If a person is taken before a District Court commissioner or is given a traffic citation  
23 or a civil citation under § 21–202.1, § 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–810.1**, § 21–1414, or §  
24 24–111.3 of this article containing a notice to appear in court, the commissioner or court  
25 shall be one that sits within the county in which the offense allegedly was committed.

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