



February 27, 2020

**Bill:** HB 1180: Vehicle Laws – Speed Monitoring Systems – Child Care Centers

**Committee:** Environment and Transportation

**Position:** Support

Dear Chairman Barve, Vice-Chair Stein, and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of RedSpeed MD, I am writing to express our support for HB 1180. RedSpeed Maryland works closely with law enforcement throughout a number of Maryland jurisdictions to provide turn-key automated traffic enforcement solutions to keep Maryland's roads and pedestrians safe.

Over the years, RedSpeed has worked to install and operate school zone enforcement systems and know they significantly reduce speeding and alter driving behavior, ultimately keeping our communities and vulnerable youth safer. This is why we support HB 1180, which will allow speed monitoring systems to be placed on a highway within a one-half mile radius of a childcare center with a posted speed limit of at least 20 miles per hour.

Given the proximity of certain childcare centers to a highway, automatic enforcement can be an effective tool to slow drivers down and bring attention to a particular area, ultimately altering driving behavior over time.

For these reasons, we respectfully request a favorable report on HB 1180.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sarah Peters at [speters@hbstrategies.us](mailto:speters@hbstrategies.us) or (410) 322-2320.

Sincerely,

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