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The Honorable William C. Smith, Jr. Chair, Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee 2 East Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis MD 21401

Re: Letter of Information – House Bill 941 – Baltimore City – Speed Limits – Establishments

Dear Chair Smith and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) takes no position on House Bill 941 but offers the following information for the Committee's consideration.

House Bill 941 allows Baltimore City to establish a maximum speed for traveling on any highway under its jurisdiction without performing an engineering or traffic study. Currently, in Baltimore City and the other 23 jurisdictions, State and local governments can change speed limits on highways under their respective jurisdiction after completing an engineering or traffic study that conforms with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

The Maryland Department of Transportation respectfully requests the Committee consider this information when deliberating House Bill 941.

Respectfully Submitted,

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