



Support SB43

Rt 648 Speed Monitoring

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Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

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RE: SUPPORT Senate Bill 43

Dear Chairman and Members of the Committee,

I am a resident of District 33, president of Bicycle Advocates for Annapolis and Anne Arundel County ("BikeAAA"), Chair of the Anne Arundel County Bicycle Advisory Commission, Member of the 2017 Maryland Bicycle Safety Task Force and avid Maryland cyclist for over 20 years. On behalf of BikeAAA and it's more than 1,000 members, we support SB43. This bill will reduce driver speed on state road 648 where it is adjacent to the popular Baltimore & Annapolis Trail. Pedestrians, cyclists, the elderly, people with disabilities and schoolchildren frequently cross this busy road to use the trail for recreation and also to access the many neighborhoods and destinations in the area. This includes schools, parks, a library, shopping areas and other destinations for people travelling on foot or bike.

Speed reduction reduces both the likelihood of a crash and also the severity of injury if a crash occurs. Please support SB43 to improve safety, especially for our most vulnerable.

Sincerely,

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